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Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Albright in Andover — Secretary of State Madeleine K. Albright and Gov. Paul Cellucci check Albright's heart after seeing a defibrillator at Agilent Technologies last Thursday. Using Agilent as an example, Albright said that many American companies will benefit from granting Permanent Normal Trade Relations to China. "The issue before Congress is whether America will share in the economic benefits, or leave those benefits entirely to our competitors in Europe, Asia and elsewhere," she told employees. (See story, page 36.)

Get ready for three overrides

By Rebecca Lipchitz

In a move that surprised some fellow town officials, Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski recommended including a sidewalk project on the debt-exclusion ballot next month.

Selectmen voted Monday to include three items on the ballot for a debt-exclusion vote scheduled for Tuesday, May 23.

The three questions are:

- Question 1, asking voters to approve a different funding mechanism for a \$12.9 million public safety center;

- Question 2, asking for two new schools at \$31.9 million; and

- the in-some-quarters unexpected Question 3, asking for \$600,000 to build sidewalks in the neighborhood around those schools.

"What we're trying to do here is get ahead of the curve," says Stapczynski.

Although several school and town officials say they knew the sidewalk article had been separated from the schools-project warrant article, they did not expect the \$600,000 sidewalk job to appear on the debt exclusion ballot.

"Some people think I have grand schemes. The only grand scheme I have is fitting everything into the budget," he says.

Selectman Lori Becker says discussions about how the sidewalks in the neighborhood

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A taxing schools decision

In two weeks, TM vote
on two schools at \$32M

By Rebecca Lipchitz

School officials vow that if Town Meeting voters approve the school building project, mistakes made during the renovation to the High School would not be made again.

The town is asking voters to approve a \$31.9 million plan to build a new middle school and elementary school complex at Cross Street and High Plain Road in the form of Article 9 at Annual Town Meeting, beginning Monday, April 24.

The state is expected to reimburse the town 60 percent of the cost, leaving the town to pay \$12.6 million for the project, say School Building Committee members.

The project would include a middle school for a maximum of 450 students and an elementary school for a maximum of 564 students, joined by an auditorium which the schools would share.

Each school would have its own gymnasium and cafeteria, but share the auditorium, kitchen, mechanical plant and storage and maintenance space. The campus would

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Seniors can get property
tax break from state

By Neil Fater

Across the state, many senior citizens have been seeing both new schools and their property taxes go up, up, up.

As a result, some house-rich but cash-poor seniors are faced with a difficult dilemma. Should they oppose education or get ready to move out of their long-time home?

But now, just in time for the Andover vote on two new schools, state Sen. Susan Tucker says the state may have helped solved the problem.

According to Tucker, a property tax refund for senior citizens will be available beginning in 2001.

"It kicks in exactly the time the (proposed schools) tax increase in Andover kicks in. There are people who will be paying less taxes, because of this provision, even if the schools article passes," says Tucker.

Recent Massachusetts school building projects, Tucker says, "In many cases pitted the seniors against the parents. This ought to be helpful in the school debate coming up on the Town Meeting ballot."

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Andover goes to Washington

By Rebecca Lipchitz

WASHINGTON, D.C. — As Andover voters prepare to scrutinize the budget, prioritize sidewalks, and vote on proposals for new schools and a public safety center, some decided to find out where Andover and Massachusetts fit into the national agenda.

U.S. Rep. Marty Meehan (D-Lowell) invited constituents to Washington, D.C. last Thursday to ask the experts what they plan to do about education, health care, and the national debt.

Joe McManus, CEO of Lawrence General Hospital and resident of North Andover, asked Donna Shalala what can be done about the "imbalance" of power given to HMOs.

Shalala, U.S. Secretary of Health and Human Services, said the federal government has little authority to regulate HMOs and may not want it.

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Photo by Rebecca Lipchitz

Made in the shade — Elizabeth and Charles Daher of Andover visited with Washington's elite last week at U.S. Rep. Marty Meehan's annual legislative issues seminar. Several residents attended the event, which included speakers Donna Shalala and Sam Donaldson.

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TownTalk



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Laughin' Larry — Andover feted former selectman Larry Larsen with a roast last Thursday. Selectmen and other town leaders honored, and razed, Larsen for his nine years of service on the board, among other things. Here, Larsen and his wife, Nancy, get their funny bones tickled. More photos and Larsen talk next week.

Bee puts the F-U-N in fundraising for schools

In a spelling bee battle to benefit Andover's public schools Friday, a private-school team came out on top.

A Phillips Academy squad of Kelly Flynn, John Gould, Sally Slade Warner and Andre Kostousov went home winners by correctly spelling "interstices."

But the team had a bit of a ringer to help fill any interstices in its spelling knowledge.

"Kelly Flynn participated as a student in the national spelling bee," says teammate Sally Slade Warner, Phillips' record librarian. "When she said she was free to do this, I just let out a cheer."

While the Phillips quartet outlasted four other finalists, the real winner of the evening was Andover Fund for Education. It raised about \$5,000 it will use to sponsor additional public-school programs.

Spelling bee organizers also announced Friday that they have created a Fred Fitzgerald Excellence in Education Award, which beginning next year will give a \$1,000 scholarship to an Andover High graduate.

The award clearly touched Fitzgerald, a founder of the Andover Fund for Education.

"This tribute tonight has not left me without words, but has left me quite shaken," he says.

Fitzgerald believes Andover residents have what it takes "to make our school system the best in the United States. I will not be here to see it happen," he says, "but I have confidence it will happen."

Speaking of improving the schools, Andover superintendent Claudia Bach also used the evening to plug the upcoming vote on the \$31.9 million

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Photo by Carol Van Doren

Bancroft's assistant principal Brenda O'Brien was one of several "spell chicks."

NEWS IN BRIEF

New eye on money

Town Moderator Jim Doherty announced Monday the appointment of Andover Attorney Debra Rahmin Silberstein to the Finance Committee. She replaced Donald Robb, who stepped down to run for selectmen. Silberstein said Tuesday she is looking forward to serving on the Committee.

Bike coloring

Kids can get their crayons ready for the Andover Center Association's (ACA) spring coloring contest. They can pick up a picture to color by visiting any downtown Andover store or business that is an ACA member.

Participants may submit the finished picture to any ACA business for display, say organizers. There will be a drawing for the winner at the end of April. The winner will receive a bicycle suited for him or her. The contest is for ages 12 and under.

Correction

An incorrect identification appeared with a photo of young violin players on page 42 last week. Although the photo caption indicated otherwise, the children in the photo belong to the Merrimack Valley Suzuki Strings, and not to the Suzuki at South group that appeared at the senior center Tuesday. The South group will give their spring performance May 10.

Web question

Last week's question on the Townsman's Web page was: Is a cut-and-dry zero tolerance policy the right approach for dealing with underage drinking?

The online response as of early Wednesday morning showed that two-thirds of the respondents are against a strict policy, by a tally of 58-28.

This week's question is: Should sidewalks for the neighborhood of the proposed schools be part of override?

Surf to www.andovertownsman.com and cast your vote.



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Rammed — High winds knocked down trees and limbs Saturday, damaging several vehicles, including the truck of a good Samaritan (above). The accident happened after New Hampshire resident Jim Kane stopped on Interstate 93 to help Enfield Drive resident Marybeth Smalls. Smalls was struggling to take care of her baby, and also her dog and a new puppy who were not getting along. Kane drove the new puppy to Enfield Drive for Smalls (at left with daughter) and was parked in her driveway for just a minute when the pine toppled. Though Kane's daughter Sarah and dog Dante were inside the truck during the accident, neither was injured.

NEWS CALENDAR

Thursday, April 13 Commission on Disabilities, second-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m. Senior Center Building Committee, Senior Center, 7:30 p.m. Andover Housing Partnership Committee, first-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7 p.m. Patriotic Holiday Committee, assessor's office, Town Offices, 7:00 p.m.	Tuesday, April 18 Conservation Commission, third-floor conference room, Town Offices, 7:45 p.m. Preservation Commission, second-floor conference room, 5:30 p.m.	Monday, April 24 Annual Town Meeting, Andover High School field house, 7 p.m.
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Quote, unquote . . .

"Some people think I have grand schemes. The only grand scheme I have is fitting everything into the budget."

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski on some officials' surprise at a debt-exclusion item.

"The choice is ours. We can open the China market to the Motorolas and Agilents and Ford Motors of America. Or we can rob our workers of opportunity by abandoning that market to the Nokias and Toshibas and Toyotas of the world."

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright, speaking to Andover's Agilent Technology workers about the benefits of granting China Permanent Normal Trade Relations.

"And I hope it doesn't come back."
Michael Meagher, Starr Ave. East resident, who spotted a moose in his neighborhood Friday.

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elementary and middle schools project.

Bach, who served as the moderator for the event, began a couple of rounds with comments such as "The first word is 'debt exclusion'... just kidding." Though the West Middle School auditorium was plenty big for the bee, Bach also noted it was not large enough to allow for an all-school meeting because



Photo by Carol Van Doren

H-O-W-D-Y — Ironically, Peter Elliott, Mike Byrne and their fellow Western Stars were eliminated from the difficult Round Four by the word "cayenne."

Moose on the loose

A rather large, hairy Andover resident appeared on the doorsteps of some Starr Avenue East residents last week.

Nadine Sutliff says she has seen "an amazing amount of wildlife" since she moved to West Andover 10 years ago, but never this.

When she woke up at 6 a.m. Friday morning and looked across the street before putting her glasses on, she wasn't sure what she saw.

"I thought, 'Oh my God. Did they just buy a horse?'" Sutliff says.

She put on her glasses and discovered a moose standing on the doorstep of her neighbor's house and grazing on their bushes.

Her son discovered the moose, and e-mailed a neighbor, who was also online at the time, Sutliff says.

Her son Craig Sutliff ran outside to tell their neighbor, Michael Meagher, who was on his way to work. Meagher looked up just in time to see the moose run into the woods, he says.

"I'm just glad it was 100 yards away," says the owner of a small Hyundai.

Meagher says he has also lived in the neighborhood for 10 years and has never seen a moose "in person."

"And I hope it doesn't come back," he says.

Nadine Sutliff says she has often seen red foxes, and has seen a huge tortoise, deer and coyote.

She even tape-recorded the hoot owl that roosted in the dead pine trees because no one believed it was there, she says.

"All it did was hoot, but it was gorgeous," she says.

—Rebecca Lipchitz

of increased enrollment.

Award winners

Besides Phillips, the other finalists were the Rotary A's, Andover Bank ABee's, TEAM Doherty, and the Andover Historical Society, which was sponsored by the law office of Michael Lombard.

The Phillips foursome emerged from the toughest round, which pitted them against strong squads from West Middle School and Pike School. The

Phillips and Pike teams had to go to five extra words before Pike was finally eliminated on the word "cynosure."

TEAM Doherty won the annual School Award, and the team and supporters of the Bancroft Spell Chicks won the first ever spirit award as dozens of cheering Chicks came dressed in bird outfits, some including yellow beaks and wings.

—Neil Fater

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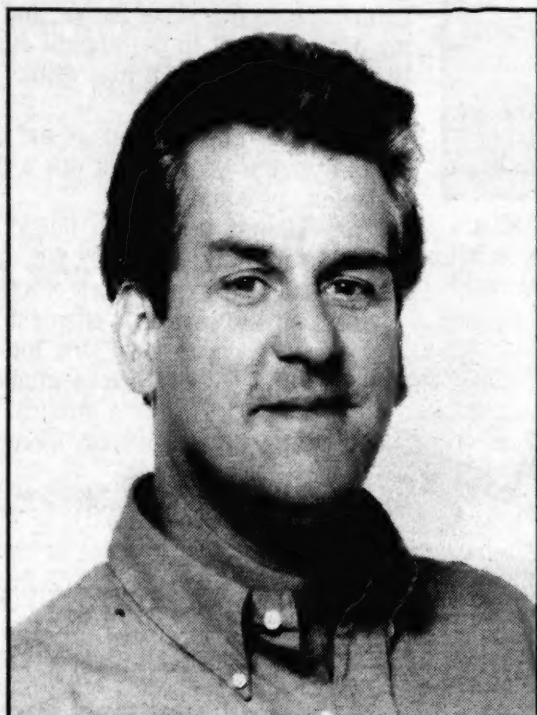
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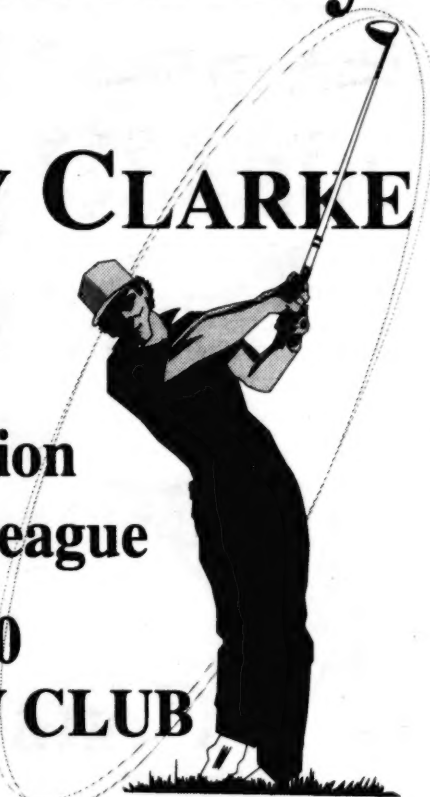


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Kids Day fest at YMCA

More than 250 children and their parents took part Saturday in the YMCA's Healthy Kids Day festivities, which focused on the idea that good health can be fun.

The day was filled with family-oriented activities including a challenging obstacle course, a basketball clinic, a moonwalk walk, aerobics and swimming. Families also participated in arts and



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger



No obstacle too large — The YMCA's obstacle course was a fan favorite with Christopher Durgin (photo at left) and David Stein, both of Andover.

crafts.

Colleen Mongell, Andover/North Andover YMCA member services director, says the day was a success.

Mongell says the children particularly liked getting their faces painted with lightning bolts like super heroes, and taking a snack break in the tropical Jimmy Buffett room filled with fruit drinks and other healthy treats.

Mongell also believes one of the highlights from this year's event was a piece on health, spirit and mind.

The children listened to music and were told to draw what they felt, using different colors to express their emotions.

Although she says it is often difficult to keep kids interested when the challenge is not a physical one, the activity seemed to please.

— Kasie Kearins

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Upon request, sign language interpreters, material on tape and other auxiliary aides and services will be provided to ensure effective communications as specified in the Americans with Disabilities Act. Please make your request by Thursday, April 13 to the ADA Coordinator, Andover Town Offices, 36 Bartlet St., Andover, MA 01810, at 623-8530 or TDD 623-8333.

Residents can enter the meeting through the main entrance of Andover High.

Town Meeting Article 26

Debate continues on how to pay for myriad of maintenance

By Rebecca Lipchitz

From traffic lights to carpeting, town officials look to complete a mixed bag of projects through two Town Meeting articles this year.

As of Tuesday afternoon, Article 26, which was originally written to approve remodeling or repairs to several town buildings for \$1,475,000, was expected to be reduced, and amended by the town, according to Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski.

Don Schroeder, Finance Committee chairman, says the FinCom recommended taking \$700,000 from the stabilization fund and putting it toward some of those projects by shifting them into the general budget, Article 4.

"We felt that some projects were not really

adding to the life of a capital asset, (such as) clocks, carpeting, painting," Schroeder says.

Finance Committee members would rather see such items paid for out of the budget, while the town can afford it, rather than see the town's debt increase for the next 10 years.

Stapczynski says the article will be reduced by \$450,000 by transferring some projects to the plant and facilities operating budget, bringing the cost of Article 26 down to \$1,025,000.

Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantedosi says he has transferred \$250,000 worth of projects so far, and is still working on choosing the remaining \$200,000 of projects.

Several of the projects transferred from Article 26 so far are plans to replace carpeting in several town and

school buildings, according to a memo from plant and facilities.

Stapczynski says that because voters of past Town Meetings have requested more information about items bundled together in one article, items in Article 27 will be voted on through separate motions.

Article 27 includes six projects approved by the Board of Selectmen, totaling \$1 million: library space and automated catalog upgrades, \$185,000; police records and dispatch computer upgrade, \$112,000; Geographic Infor-

mation Systems \$145,000; bridge repair and reconstruction, \$400,000; a footbridge at the Shawsheen River, \$18,000; and new traffic signals, \$145,000.

Finance Committee members approved the article with the exception of \$18,000 for the construction of a footbridge over the Shawsheen River.

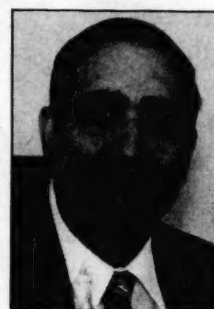
Schroeder says the footbridge request was the first phase of a larger project.

"Given the tight budget and the number of things we were doing, we didn't see the urgency or demand for it," Schroeder says.

The bridge reconstruction project, according to Piantedosi, would include repairs to bridges on Andover, Stevens, Essex and Balmoral streets, and reconstruction of a town-owned bridge on River Street.



Schroeder — This could be the start of something big.



Piantedosi — Picking and choosing.

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Don't distract, focus

Language teachers without classrooms at Doherty Middle School. Art and music classes wheeled around on a cart. Portable classrooms for some of Andover's elementary-school learners.

These are the key issues Andover should be focusing on at Town Meeting 2000, where Article 9 will seek \$31.9 million for a new middle and a new elementary school.

This schools plan has been carefully thought out and argued over the past few years, and deserves attention.

But when the Finance Committee book for Town Meeting arrives in the mail, voters' attentions will be pulled in all sorts of other directions, too.

They'll see they need to decide whether to improve the library, upgrade police communications, spend more on Geographic Information Systems, repair bridges, consider creating a Shawsheen River footbridge and install traffic signals.

And all that's just to approve Article 27. There are 85 more warrant articles.

Admittedly, not all articles are as involved as Article 27. But several represent important decisions for the town.

Unfortunately, because of the warrant's size, some of these either will not be thoroughly scrutinized, or will distract from the schools project. Regular people simply don't have the time for it all.

This is not the way it should be.

For years, Andover has seen the number of articles debated at Town Meeting increase. This year, officials even talked of having a Special Town Meeting in the fall to handle planning articles, such as street acceptances and zoning bylaw changes.

Yet, just a few days before the warrant closed, town officials were scrambling to pull together a newsracks bylaw to control the location and color of those pesky machines. This article is expected to be withdrawn.

Town officials — both those elected and those collecting paychecks — would have better served the public by lightening the load.

This would have allowed people to focus on what everyone agrees is important — the schools project.

In the future, when the town must debate other meaty issues, it should delay non-essential, town-sponsored articles, calling a Special Fall Town Meeting if necessary.

The result will be voters who feel less confused and better informed.

If the less-expensive and attention-getting town articles are worthy of approval — as this year's schools article is — such a situation can only benefit all concerned.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Forget Chicago — Marybeth Smalls and her daughter Kate (pictured in photo at left) survey the damage caused to a visitor's truck at their house by high winds in Andover this Saturday. Brief story, page 3.

Not afraid to die, not ready either



Perry Colmore

How do you catch the essence of a woman so joyful, so warm, so full of life, a woman you didn't know long, but loved early on after you first met her? How do you explain the hope this woman gave others, the hope of living without fear of dying, the hope that love would heal your life?

And how do you understand why she died and you didn't?

Judy Carleo told me several times she wasn't afraid to die. But she also said she wasn't ready. She was only 44 years old. She hadn't finished living. And even though we understood that her current chemotherapy wasn't working, she had so much hope that we thought somehow she'd get through this latest cancer hurdle and live a while longer.

For two years, she'd been fighting ovarian cancer that had spread to other parts of her body.

Judy died at home, on Hidden Road, early Monday afternoon. Her sister, Beth Sanders of Windham,

N.H., phoned to let me know.

Judy had been hospitalized at New England Medical Center in Boston for a week. She had an infection the doctors couldn't stop.

I spoke with her about four days before she died and she still had hope. She knew she wanted to die at home, not in a hospital, and not yet.

Judy and I go to the same church, Trinity Church in Boston, but it's a big church and I didn't meet her until last summer. The clergy asked six of us, all cancer survivors, to address the question, "What can we do for Trinity parishioners who have cancer?" After many meetings and a good deal of prayer, we launched Spiritual Journeys: A Cancer Support Group for those currently fighting cancer, those who have had cancer, and also for those who support people with cancer.

From the beginning, I knew I wanted to be with Judy. Always smiling, full of warmth and hope, she was a spiritual person who felt held by God. Judy somehow made me less afraid of death. She helped me remember we need to embrace life right now, in case our lives may be cut shorter than we'd expected.

Judy was the one who asked that the support group hold hands when we said our prayers. She was the first one who brought her family to the support group. Her mother, Sandy Clevesy, came first, showing us that Judy had excellent support. And then

a few meetings later, her sister, Beth, and her father, Melvin, attended.

Judy and her son moved in with her parents when the cancer got rough so they could help her manage. They are wonderful people, supportive of Judy and they worked with her to have as normal a life as possible.

But the love of Judy life was her 14-year-old son, Bobby, for whom she battled to stay alive. Bobby was the reason Judy was working on having more time here. It wasn't that she was afraid to die, it was because she wanted to be here for Bobby.

When Judy was bald, she'd take off her wig or hat at our support group.

She was comfortable that way, feeling supported, understood and loved by group members, many of whom have been rendered bald by chemotherapy, too.

One member, Susie McIntosh, just about one inch of curl past her bald phase, visited Judy in the hospital six days before she died. "I gave her a full face and head massage," Susie said with pleasure. "She was so amazingly open to it."

Another member, Bob Yearwood, managed to visit Judy in the hospital before she was admitted to the intensive care unit where visitors weren't allowed. "I loved Judy because she had great spirit," he told me.

Even in intensive care she had her support. Judy was a nurse, and now she was a patient in the hospital

Letters

School leaders answer 'Why so much money?'

Editor, *Townsmen*:

This spring the School Committee and the school department will seek funding in the amount of approximately \$31.9 million (60% of which will be reimbursed to the town by the state) for the construction costs for a new middle school and a new elementary school. These schools together will serve about 1,000 Andover students. Separately, we have sought an increase of 7.4% in the operating budget for the coming school year. It's reasonable to ask why so much money for the schools is required at this time.

First, the overcrowding in all Andover schools has been building up steadily over the past several years. Our middle and elementary schools, designed for a capacity of 3,740 students, currently serve 4,265 students. This overcrowding severely impacts teaching and learning. Classes now are being held in such improvised locations as cafeterias, music rooms, hallways, and the like; some lunches are served as early as 10 a.m.; core curriculum teachers are shuffled between rooms; and most serious of all, big classes are increasingly the rule. When these conditions persist over a long period of time, teacher morale suffers significantly, and overcrowded classes are inevitably a top concern at parent gatherings.

Verified projections of student population growth clearly indicate that overcrowding in the Andover schools will continue and get worse in the years ahead. The only long-term solution to this problem is to greatly increase the classroom space available in the middle and elementary schools. The new schools proposal is the product of thorough studies

Beware the bulging budget

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I just received my latest property tax bill. It costs me \$5,500 per year to live in Andover without considering rates for water and sewers. This is a doubling of taxes over the past 12 years or an effective annual increase of 6.5 percent. Meanwhile I have not seen any appreciable improvement in town services.

What should concern all residents of Andover about our tax situation is:

Blank check spending on new buildings which all carry financing costs plus the cost of operating them.

Relentless past increases in town spending with no effective budgetary discipline in place as we go forward.

Actions taken today on new buildings, new sewer projects and programs are going to impact spending levels and taxes and rates for the next 10 years.

Taxes and rates will soon be equivalent to towns like Lexington yet we don't have the same recreation services and school quality.

We have just come through an economic boom period which has added to town's tax base through new homes and new corporate offices. What happens

when the tax base stops expanding and taxpayers have to pay the full cost of expanding town budgets?

And after last week's stock market drop, shouldn't we all question what happens if the boom stops and we are brought back to reality and have to live off our salaries and pensions, not stock options, IRA gains or bonuses? Or worse still, what happens during the next inevitable recession, when we cannot easily sell our houses, yet we cannot afford the escalating taxes and sewer rate increases put in place now?

As a resident of West Andover, it is wonderful to have two new schools, new ballfields and new sidewalks being built. My property values have gone up as a result. New schools are a priority, but I question why so many other new buildings and programs are coming on stream at the same time. All residents of Andover need to come to this year's Town Meeting with a more critical eye regarding proposed spending, otherwise many of us will suffer from the consequences.

John G. Carlson
One Golden Oaks Lane

by the school department, two community-based space needs committees, and the School Building Committee, in consultation with the Finance Committee and the selectmen. Fortunately the state has already approved reimbursement for 60 percent of construction costs. It is essential that the town move ahead with the school building project without delay, especially in light of recent news reports

that state reimbursements for school buildings may be reduced in the future.

The need for substantial increases in the school system's operating budget is equally compelling. The student population growth requires more teachers for regular education. We must also bear the cost of adding teachers and support personnel for special education. Although the number of special education students in Andover is well below the state average, the number of students requiring individual education plans has been climbing exponentially. This means that need for special ed teachers has been going up at a much faster rate than for regular classroom teachers. Aside from ethical considerations, we must meet the needs of special education students or face massive litigation expenses should we fail to do so.

Technology plays a growing role in our schools but comes with a substantial price tag in terms of hardware, software, and system maintenance. To exploit the technology's potential, teachers will continue to require extensive training in how to effectively integrate technology into their subject areas. This, too, will cost considerable money, as well as teacher time and energy.

School systems everywhere are rightly challenged by the public's rising expectations, especially in a town like Andover. Outstanding teachers are absolutely central to strong schools. We need to provide working conditions that encourage teachers to grow in their understanding of their subjects and of sound pedagogy. We must also be able to offer an attractive compensation package

in order to be able to hire and hold strong teachers in an increasingly competitive job market. The quality of our teaching staff will surely deteriorate if we fail to maintain an appropriate salary scale.

The growing number of two-parent working families means that our schools must play an increasing role in students' lives outside of class. This implies a need to strengthen after-school programs in the arts, athletics, community service, and various interest groups. A greater commitment to these activities will require added expense to ensure proper leadership and supervision.

We have highlighted some of the reasons why education costs in Andover can be expected to grow more rapidly than inflation or cost of living. From a broader view, we Americans must recognize that education plays a much more critical role in determining a student's lifetime potential than was true 20 or 30 years ago. An under-educated student today faces much more severe limitations than ever before. We adults must rally in support of our own and our neighbors' children.

Richard Collins, Frank Eccles,
Gerald Gustus, Tina Girdwood,
Timothy McCarron,
Eric Nadworny

(The above have been members of the School Committee during this school year.)

Seniors, step up again

Editor, *Townsmen*:

As a senior citizen and a member of the Council on Aging, I urge all Andover voters to support the School Committee's warrant article to build two new schools.

Our schools are overcrowded and the situation is getting worse. The School Committee and the administration have done an outstanding job of obtaining, evaluating and applying input from parents, teachers, other town organizations and from the citizenry at large in planning these schools. Now it is up to us to approve their efforts.

Seniors as a group have always given strong support to the educational needs of future generations, and I have always taken great personal satisfaction in noting that seniors in Andover have consistently risen in support of the schools at Town Meeting.

I ask that Andover seniors continue this tradition at our next Town Meeting on April 24.

Martin Epstein
Candlewood Drive

Fight the power

Editor, *Townsmen*:

I am writing to urge voters to the town of Andover to support Article 72 as printed in the Town Meeting warrant. This article requests that the town authorize \$150,000 to represent Andover's interests before various state agencies and, if necessary, in Superior Court, with regard to the proposed construction and operation of a 750-megawatt, natural-gas-fired, combined-cycle power plant just across the

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Tribute to a teacher of life

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where for years she worked in labor delivery, and most recently in the mother/infant unit. Judy's mother, Sandy, told me that her nurse friends cared for Judy right up to the end, and even after she died they lovingly bathed and dressed their friend, and one nurse gave her a manicure. That would have been important to Judy.

Her brother Michael's wife, Marcia Clevesy of North Andover, was part of the team of supportive nurses.

Susan Faxon of Andover, also a Trinity parishioner, was another of Judy's angels. A few weeks ago, Susan drove Judy to her last support group meeting at church. Susan obviously was enjoying and admiring her new friend.

Often, when it was Judy's turn to offer prayers at the support group, she'd write them herself. And she would offer prayers for others in the group. Judy was like that. She was constantly thinking about the people she loved. She lived in love.

When it was her turn to tell her story in depth at the group, she went through the cancer journey, long step by long step, smiling at each pause. She didn't ask, "Why me?" She accepted her fight and fight she did. At the same time she kept her focus on quality of life, and sometimes elected one kind of treatment over another if one was too brutal. She wanted to be attentive and alert. That was about Bobby, too.

I will miss Judy. I will miss turning to her if I don't feel right. I will miss being reminded that we have a choice of how we spend our time here, that we can live with our glass half full instead of half empty.

But I am full of love and hope and Judy Carleo is part of that feeling. For me, her body is gone, but her spirit will live in my heart forever.

I am grateful I was able to share part of her last 10 months.

(Perry Colmore is a former editor of the *Andover Townsman*.)

LETTERS

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Merrimack River from Andover. It is important that Andover vigorously assert its environmental and public health interests before the var-

ious agencies that may render decisions concerning the proposed power plant, because the plant, as proposed, presents a significant environmental and public health risk to the people of Andover and to the residents of the Merrimack Valley.

First, the power plant, as proposed, will not comply with

the Clean Air Act, as it will produce double the amount of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), and five times the amount of ammonia permitted. Yet, the power company proposing this plant, Constellation Power, continues to refuse to implement the most current and effective technology for

the reduction of air emissions. Rather than employing ammonia-free Sconox technology, which the EPA has expressly stated is commercially available and technologically feasible (and equal to or superior to SCR in controlling pollutants), Nickel Hill insists on using cheaper SCR technology which will undeniably emit 288 tons per year (tpy) of ammonia, while Sconox would emit none. Indeed, Constellation Power has been incapable of stating consistently what the proposed pollution emissions will be. Constellation has repeatedly revised its air pollution estimates upwards, for 49 tpy of VOCs annually to 98 tpy, from 189 tpy of carbon monoxide to 309 tpy, from 58 tpy of ammonia to 288 tpy.

The power plant as proposed will also be in violation of the state DEP noise policy. The proposed noise policy of 10 dBA increase would be exceeded by the power plant limit in every direction, and in some cases exceed the noise policy by 300 percent.

The power plant as proposed will also present significant risk to public health. Constellation Power's final environmental impact report has been rejected by the State's Secretary for Environmental affairs, in part, because the company failed to provide an adequate public health analysis. As we learned during the proceedings before the Siting Board, neither Nickel Hill's petition before the Siting Board nor its MEPA filings set forth any specific analysis as to the potential health impacts the proposed emissions will have on the local population. Indeed, one expert testified that there is nothing in all the materials submitted by Nickel Hill to the Siting Board or the EOEa that could give her any level of comfort as to potential negative health impacts the proposed power plant presents to the region.

The Merrimack Valley is in a unique situation, as the population

already suffers from increased health risks and is more heavily burdened in that regard than any randomly selected group of the same size. The comments submitted by the Department of Public Health to the EOEa concerning this proposed power plant confirm that the local population is presently overly burdened. Among other things, there exist high mercury-exposure rates and exposure to other energy plants in the region. Consequently, the air emissions from the proposed power plant would in all likelihood result in adverse synergistic effects; that is, the emissions from the proposed power plant would combine with the condition of the overly burdened population and result in more negative health impacts than what one would expect in the event that the power plant were sited in an area where the population was not similarly burdened.

Moreover, several of the pollutants emitted by Nickel Hill's proposed plant are known to cause adverse health effects in people exposed to them above certain limits. Indeed, in this region, there is probably no safe level for additional emissions of such pollutants.

In addition, various VOCs can settle out of the air into the food chain and water supply, presenting a substantial health risk to the local population.

Last year, Town Meeting authorized \$50,000 to represent Andover's interests before the Siting Board and the state. Because of that support, Constellation Power has been forced to disclose the many ways its analysis has been deficient and how its proposed power plant will be harmful. The town must continue funding this effort to represent its interests to ensure the power plant, as proposed, will not be built and that it will not contribute additional negative environmental and public health impacts to the already overburdened region.

Christopher T. Vrontas
379 River Road

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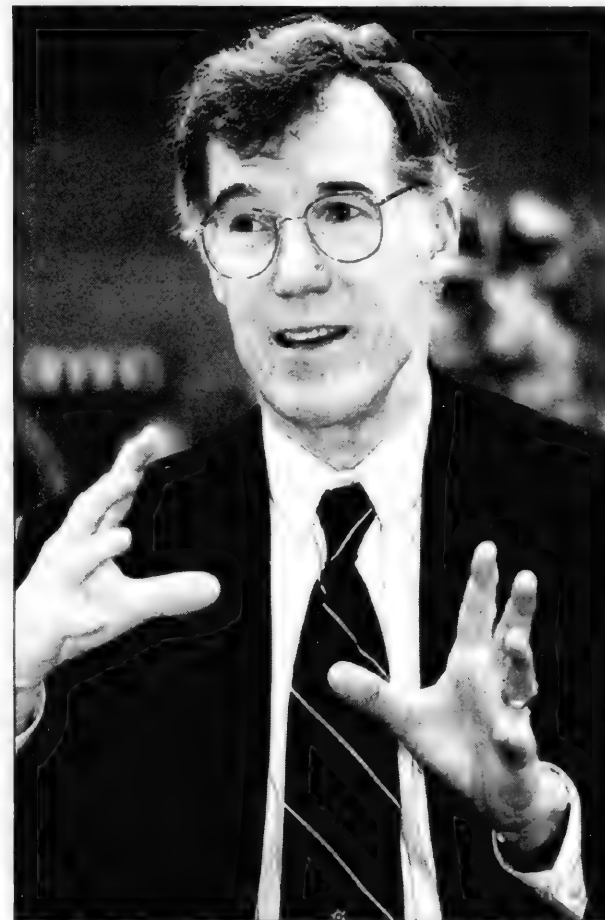
Potential principals visit Andover High



Peter J. Anderson, principal of Northwood Middle School, Wootstock, Ill., formerly of Andover.



Marilyn Hurwitz, principal of Marblehead High School, also taught in Boston Public Schools.



Photos by Lisa Adelsberger

Dr. Michael P. Jones, principal of Maynard High School, wants to join the community.

Peter J. Anderson

Peter J. Anderson received a warm welcome from the Superintendent of Schools Dr. Claudia Bach Wednesday morning upon arrival from Illinois.

He also received a delighted squeal of recognition from Fine Arts director Diana Kolbin.

Anderson taught at East Junior High School in Andover from 1968 to 1982.

He has since become principal of the Northwood Middle School of 725 students in Woodstock, Ill.

When asked about the principal's role of raising MCAS scores, Anderson says standardized testing has become a reality for teachers throughout the country, but publishing the results can create unfair competition.

"There are far too many variables" in standardized tests to accurately compare communities, he says.

But not testing is not the answer, he says.

Any test can be useful, particularly exercises that encourage students to put their ideas in writing, says Anderson, who also served as a department chair and program adviser of the English department during his time in Andover.

But some state mandates can go too far, he says.

In the midwest, most students are now required to take the ACT test, an SAT equivalent.

While students do not need to pass the test in order to graduate, it is noted on their transcript if they passed or failed, he says.

Anderson is a graduate of Colgate, Salem State Col-

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Marilyn Hurwitz

Marilyn Hurwitz, principal of Marblehead High School, effortlessly fielded questions from parents Monday at a reception in the Andover High School library.

When asked what to do about students who continually pull the fire alarm, she was ready with a list of solutions field-tested in schools where she has worked.

While she has worked in urban schools where discipline could be an issue, she also deals with a community in Marblehead which is very concerned with academics.

"In Marblehead, C's aren't acceptable," she says, and wonders if some students don't put too much pressure on themselves.

When asked how she would make changes at a school, Hurwitz says she would first observe for at least a year, and then talk with faculty and students.

"It can't be my input alone that makes change," she says.

In an effort to make better connections with her teachers, she began a system that requires they check into the main office every morning.

Some teachers complained at first, but later began to enjoy it, she says.

"Collegiality is my specialty," she says. She wrote a morning message for staff every day, "and I got to say hello," she says.

When asked about state MCAS testing, Hurwitz

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Dr. Michael Jones

Dr. Jones is known to attend a lot of student dances, but his idols could be educational philosophers such as Ted Sizer and Alfie Cohn.

He hopes to bring his academic training, and experience being involved with the community, to Andover High School from Maynard High School where he now presides.

Parents quizzed Jones Tuesday in a gathering at the Andover High School library about issues including MCAS and smoking in the bathrooms.

He cited writings of Sizer and Cohn in declaring that students should not be required to take "one high-stakes test" in order to graduate, and encouraged alternate forms of evaluation for students.

Because MCAS is mandatory, he suggested the best approach is to continue local curriculum developments.

To foster community at the school, Jones says he would plan to stay for the long haul and become involved in the community.

To make sure students have a sense of belonging, he says he would ensure there are enough diverse activities for every student to find a crowd within which he or she felt they belonged.

But students also need to feel they can come to an adult, too, he says.

"That connectedness is the key," he says.

One parent asked how he would keep the diverse clubs or groups of students from alienating other stu-

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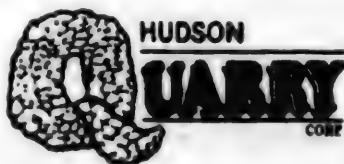
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MCAS returns

Andover students, and fourth-, eighth- and tenth-grade students all over Massachusetts, began MCAS testing yesterday on the English portion of the tests.

Some protests and boycotts were expected in various locations throughout the state as the now annual testing event began.

Richard LaFranchi was one of several Andover High School students who achieved a perfect score on the math MCAS test as a sophomore. He was omitted from the list of students featured in a story last week.

Anderson aims for Andover

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lege and has studied at University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Harvard University.

He worked as Principal of Instruction at Culbreth Junior High School in Chapel Hill, N.C. from 1982 to 1984 working on curriculum design, scheduling, teacher evaluation, program

development and budget issues.

He also worked in a private business for seven years before coming to Northwood Middle School in 1990.

Anderson flew in on Wednesday to meet with school officials, faculty and the public after *Townsmen* press time Wednesday.

—Rebecca Lipchitz

Hurwitz

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spoke from experience.

"These people are crazy," she says of state education policy makers who expect students to take so many tests at once.

"These people should go back and take a course in adolescent psychology. We should do MCAS testing, but the format is absolutely brutal," she says.

Students miss class time to take the tests, and have trouble catching up, she says.

She agrees teachers need to

assign open ended writing exercises to develop students writing skills, but also stresses the need for teachers to get together and agree on what is an A response and what is a C response.

"The same paper given to different teachers can get a very different grade," she says.

She accepts the reality of the need for state mandates, but praised her staff for looking at MCAS testing with a discerning eye.

"You like to have those who talk, who don't like to do what they're told to do."

—Rebecca Lipchitz

Jones

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dents or becoming clique-y.

"That has to be a value in the school. It's up to the leadership of the students," Jones says.

When asked how he would make it clear to students he was approachable, Jones says he often eats lunch in the cafeteria with students, rather than in an office, and attends many extra-curricular events.

But he doesn't plan to get too familiar.

He says he considers smoking in school bathrooms very "unpleasant" to him, and would ask teachers to help monitor a bathroom that is known to harbor smokers.

"But monitoring can become time consuming and expensive. If it's a persistent problem, you have to decide what kind of money you want to put into it to stop it," Jones says.

—Rebecca Lipchitz

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Pike students named to the winter term honor roll

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Grade 6: Cory Antonakos, Kyle Bogaert, Colin Calabrese, Amy Campbell, Brooke Clarkson, Garrett Cook, Alexander Crosett, Jeffrey Cutts, Sean Hamilton, Sarah Harmeling, Andrew Hsiao, Jessica Huang, Rachel Isaacs, Ania Krzywicki, Sarah Lotter, Domenica MacNaughton, Kathryn Malleck, Pumelele Maqubela, Laura Notini, Keith Oliver, David Shack, Ali Siddiqi, Sara Snyder, Vijay Umapathy, Jeremy Wegrzyn, Samuel Weiss.

HONORS

Grade 9: Elise Cox, Elizabeth Dipple, Michael Gianelli, Rachel Harmeling, Kenneth Moreland, Clarida Otero, Melanie Roberts.

Grade 8: Ryan Armstrong, Samuel Basta, Christopher Booty, Amy Cameron, Jaideep Chawla, Diana Chen, Gina Crivelli, Meade Curtis, Lauren Goglia, Bethany Gostanian, Bruce Hilman, Nicole Johnson, Carolyn Johnson, Allison LeSaffre, Ashley MacMillan, Timothy Mauritz, Allison McCarthy, Elizabeth Mulligan, Katherine Nelson, Julia Nizinski, Michele Piazza, Eliana Reyes, Christopher Rivers, Mariel Rodriguez-McGill, Julia Stahl, Jessica Wailes, James Waters, Julia Wetherell, Sarah Wooten.

Grade 7: Thomas Arrigg, Ariel Bibby, Maxwell Bogaert, Christopher Chaloux, Madeleine Dubus, Kelsey Farrell, Elizabeth George, Mayur Goyal, Audrie Grigun, Gregory Hadad, Marissa Herskowitz, Thomas Klodenski, Amanda Kutz, Katherine Lauderdale, Charlotte MacMillan, Samantha Martin, Stephanie Miller, Jennifer Muscatello, Christopher

Piazza, Alexander Samel, Emily Schwarz, Omar Siddiqi, Daniel Stewart, Hasan Syed, Alexander Tzavalas, Brian Zapert.

Grade 6: Molly Baird, Alexander Campbell, Elizabeth Costa, Katherine Cowie, Katherine Denison, Daniel Desruisseau, Michael Draheim, Todd Eudailey, Richard Ford, Erica Jaco-

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Belmont Hill students receive honors

Residents from Andover were honored recently for achieving academic honors for the first quarter of the year at Belmont Hill School.

Ryan Hutzler, in Form II, the son of Charles Hutzler and Lisa Hutzler, was recognized for achieving high honors.

Michael Shannon II, in Form IV, the son of Michael Shannon and Carolyn Shannon, was recognized for achieving honors.

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SCHOOL TALK

The Parent Advisory Council (PAC) of Doherty Middle School meets tonight, Thursday, April 13, at 7:30 in the school's McGrail Media Center.

Floyd McManus, Doherty principal, and Bruce Maki, vice principal, will discuss the MCAS tests. All parents are invited to come and ask questions. There will be a PAC business meeting following the MCAS discussion.

What do you remember about math class? Probably lots of paper and pencils, and always working alone to solve math problems.

Math classes have changed, and Bancroft School is showcasing how its teachers are keeping up-to-date with those changes. Bancroft's second annual Math and Technology Night is tonight, Thursday, from 6:30 to 7:30 at the school.

Bancroft teachers will show how students are encouraged to think, not just memorize, and how computers are a good tool to use in math class during this event.

The night features games, manipulatives, challenging problems, comput-

er activities and much more, organizers said.

The MathCounts team from Doherty Middle School won top honors in the Northeast Massachusetts Regional MathCounts competition Feb. 9 at McCarthy Middle School in Chelmsford. The members of the first-place Doherty MathCounts team are: Joseph Ahn, grade 7; Matthew Cohen, grade 8; Laura Schoenherr, grade 8; and Scott Silverstein, grade 8. The two alternates for the Doherty team are: Jai Sim, grade 6, and Gregory Wilbur, grade 6. The coach for the Doherty team is Lynne Batchelder, a parent volunteer and the mother of Gregory Wilbur.

This is the third year in a row that Doherty has come in first place and advanced to the state competition.

Doherty ran away with the individual honors as well. All four team members were in the Top 10. Scott Silverstein came in first place in the individual competition; Laura Schoenherr came in third place; Matthew Cohen came in fourth place; and Joseph Ahn came in sixth place.

Additionally, Scott Silverstein of

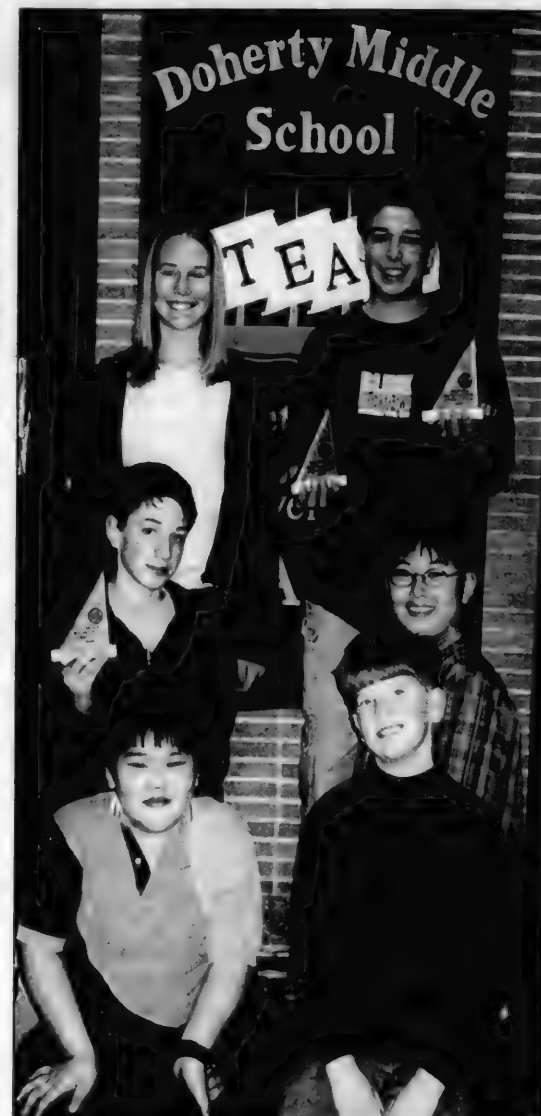
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Doherty Middle School team wins MathCounts - The Doherty Middle School MathCounts Team shows off the trophies they won at the Northeast Massachusetts Regional MathCounts competition. The team came in first place, and Scott Silverstein came in first place in both the Individual Competition and the Countdown Round. Laura Schoenherr placed third, Matthew Cohen placed fourth and Joseph Ahn placed sixth in the Individual Competition. In the bottom row, from left, are Joseph Ahn and Gregory Wilbur; middle row: Matthew Cohen and Jai Sim; top row: Laura Schoenherr and Scott Silverstein. Missing: Coach Lynne Batchelder. ►

Doherty won the fast-paced, Jeopardy-like Countdown Round where "mathletes" are required to solve complicated math problems in 45 seconds or less.

MathCounts is the nationwide math coaching and competition pro-

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Memorial Hall Library annual book sale

Memorial Hall Library will once again hold its annual book sale on April 28-30 during regular library hours.

Preview Night will be held Thursday, April 27 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., with a fee of \$20 to attend.

The Friends of Memorial Hall Library sponsors these sales to provide special programs and services that expand and enrich the library's regular budget. These programs include: Sunday concerts and readings, guest speakers, Wednesday morning programs, children's programs and the newsletter.

School news is due Friday by 5 p.m.

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gram for 7th- and 8th-grade students. It promotes student interest in math by making math achievement as challenging, exciting and prestigious as a school sport. After several months of coaching, registered schools select four students to compete as teams and individuals in one of 500 local competitions. The top teams then progress to state competitions, where the top four individuals advance to the national finals in Washington, D.C.

MathCounts was founded in 1983 by CNA, the National Society of Professional Engineers and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

Sanborn School is celebrating the written word this month. A number of activities are planned

for the school's Author Fest.

Students from kindergarten through grade 5 will participate in several activities including poetry recitals, an author's tea, character day, a daily author trivia question and a bookmark contest.

"The school's Curriculum Enrichment Committee has developed a wonderful program for our students to learn and understand the art and skill of writing," said Dr. Jade Reitman, Sanborn principal. "We are confident that the students will gain an in-depth knowledge of a wide variety of authors and have a greater appreciation for the writing process."

The celebration kicked off last week with the annual Shel Silverstein Poetry recital. Students recited their favorite Silverstein poems, complete with props.

Last Friday, students participated in Character Day, where they dress up as a character created by their favorite author.

On Tuesday and again today, April 13, author/illustrator Brian Lies was scheduled to talk about editing, illustrating and publish-

ing with first and second graders. Lies, author of *Hamlet and the Enormous Chinese Dragon Kite*, will show students his manuscripts and artwork.

To close out the celebration, each teacher will host an author's tea, where the students will share their writing projects with their parents.

"We are proud of this program and we hope our students become stronger writers, editors, poets and illustra-

tors from participating," Reitman said.

"Listen Up!" a piano evaluation and listening workshop, sponsored by the Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Association, was held Saturday, March 18, at Donovan Music Studios in Bradford. Approximately 50 students from the Merrimack Valley participated. Students from Andover included Danielle Huggins, Benjamin Landy,

Amy Hilman, Alyssa Bindman, Julie Dugan, Martin Serna, Kristina Feurst, Phillip Kim, James Kim, Cecile Jou, Julia Littlefield and Katie Nadworny.


Participating Andover teachers included Leslie Kaplan, Jody Brickman, Kay Folz and Linda Shen.

Students had an opportunity to play one or two pieces from memory and were evaluated by a teacher as well as by

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Piano students of Jody Brickman performed in a recital on Sunday, March 26 at Memorial Hall Library. Students from Andover included, from left: James Kim, Katie Dugan, Phillip Kim, Kristina Fuerst, Heather Arvidson, Martin Serna, Julie Dugan and Sara Helmers.



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a peer group. The focus was on developing listening skills and how to apply them to performance techniques. Written evaluations and discussions followed.

The Merrimack Valley Music Teachers Association meets monthly to exchange ideas with other professional musicians. Opportunities for students to perform in recitals, master classes and juried events are offered as well as teacher workshops, guest speakers, and other special musical events.

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Andover High School qualified for the National Marketing Conference (DECA) for an unprecedented 22nd consecutive year, said AHS marketing and entrepreneurship advisers Jo Ann Samra and Joe Spanos.

The competitions will be held in Louisville, Ky., from April 28 to May 3. Danielle Huntley qualified and will compete at the conference, representing Andover and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, along with 12,000 other students from across the country, including Canada, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the District of Columbia.

Other Andover High students who placed in the Top 10 overall in their various chosen categories are: Stephanie Ataide, Ryan Hayes, Luke Larson, John Keaten, Alia Mohammed, Debbie O'Connell, Vern Tragaser, Jim Russo, Philip Martin and Patrick Roy. These students as well as the other AHS competitors received plaques, medallions, and certificates for their achievements at the three-day conference.

It is still possible for one person to make the world a better place.



Pike seventh-grader Jen Muscatello (in back), who organized a book drive at Pike, with Lawrence Girls Club members, who now have a lot of new books to read.

An idea, some personal initiative and follow through are all it takes to get things started. Just ask Jen Muscatello, a seventh-grader at Pike School.

Jen spends every other Saturday volunteering at the Lawrence Girls Club where she and her mom, Sandy, share their love of literature with a group of 20 girls in the club. Two months ago, Jen decided to add even more to the club. Seeing that books were in short supply in the club's homework and reading room, Jen decided to do something about it.

She organized a book drive at Pike. At assemblies, in classes and through the school newsletter, Jen told the school community about the need for good books at the Girls Club. In response, hundreds of books were brought into Pike, most of them brand new.

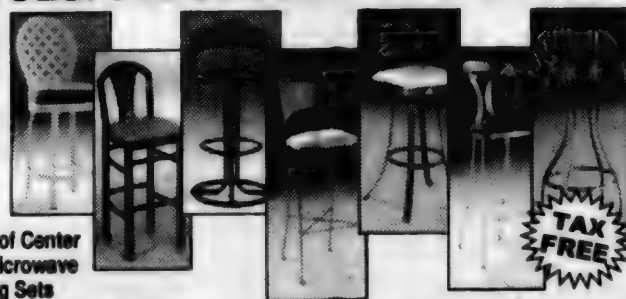
On the evening of Monday, April 2, Jen and her family brought the books to the Lawrence Girls Club, where 125 Girls Club members gathered in the gym to receive the books and to thank Jen. To a person, everyone was stunned at what one person could accomplish by making the decision to change things for the better.

That evening Amy Joaquin and Janicksa Carrasco, two club members, were acknowledged for "the tremendous amount of reading they have done" at the club. Because of Jen's efforts, the club was able to give each girl a book of their own.

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Doherty bomb-scare case fizzles, thrown out of court

By Rebecca Lipchitz

The state district attorney dropped charges against a Doherty Middle School student accused of writing a bomb threat on the bathroom wall, after the office determined a witness in the case was not credible.

Police hired JTC Consultants of Acton to analyze the handwriting, but the student's attorney, John R. Valerio of Andover, argued that the witness's testimony and dealings with the court were "bizarre," "outrageous," and "unprofessional."

The student was arrested May 24 for writing this message on a school bathroom wall: "Trouble June 8. Bombs are set."

The accused student reported the incident May 11 to adults at the school, her parents say.

Handwriting experts hired by Andover police linked her writing to the message on the wall, but the court did not consider their testimony valid.

State District Attorney spokesman Steve O'Connell says prosecutors decided to drop the charges in the interest of justice.

"We didn't feel we could go forward with the case based just on the handwriting information," he says.

In an unusual move, the judge ordered the case *nolle prosequi*, and all evidence expunged, requiring all records of the matter to be destroyed.

Paul Hennessey, who runs JTC Consultants with his wife, declined to comment on the specifics of the case, but suggested that the lack of investigation of other suspects could shed light on the motives of prosecutors.

"Hmmm... A crime was committed and if it were not solved, why would all the records be destroyed?" he asks.

Valerio says the judge's decision probably indicates that the judge wanted to ensure his client had no record against her, based on incredible evidence.

The student's parents, Raymond and Cynthia Arsenault, said in a press release issued this week that they were unhappy with how the school handled the issue.

"We feel they were all too willing to sacrifice one child for the immediate illusion of resolution," the parents wrote.

While the parents believe that prosecuting their daughter was an effort to create an "illusion of resolution," Hennessey implies that throwing out the case and making a public display of it is also an illusion of resolution.

"This note (on the bathroom wall) was a call for help. How is this exposé answering a call for help?" Hennessey asks.

Hennessey defended the credibility of his company by citing numerous cases in which people were convicted or acquitted based on their testimony, and sometimes based on their testimony alone.

Many were cases of hate or violent crime. Hennessey advertises his expertise as debunking "whores of the court," his term for paid experts who will testify in cases the way they are told, rather than based on evidence.

Valerio says the Hennesseys had a "vigilante attitude" and presented unprofessional credentials, and wore tags to the courtroom that said "professional document examiner."

"I don't wear a sign around my neck that says certified attorney," he says.

The organization to which JTC Consultants belongs, WADE (Worldwide Association of Document Examiners) has about 100 members, according to the Arsenaults.

"We joined WADE by completing an application and paying \$375," the parents say. "It is our opinion that there was ample and easily accessible information available that should have disqualified him immediately."

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Andover residents enjoy Meehan's invitation to talk policy

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"I'm not sure that's what we need," she said, adding the government is encouraging alternative arrangements like PPOs (preferred provider organizations).

She cited the top issues in health care today as the need to pass the patients' bill of rights and the president's proposal to create a prescription-drug benefit for Medicaid patients.

When asked how the government could control the price of drugs, Shalala said the challenge is to pay less for drugs without quashing a "dynamic" research industry.

The U.S. government often overpays for the cost of drugs while other countries have negotiated discounts, she said.

While the audience of more than 200 enjoyed an intimate setting with some of the country's top policy makers, Shalala took a few extra steps to get familiar with the audience, by walking around the room as she spoke without a microphone. She addressed audience members directly in answering questions.

Andover residents, including Theresa Murphy, Meehan's mother-in-law and principal of the Shawsheen School, Hank and M.J. Powell, Charles and Elizabeth Daher, former state Senator John O'Brien and his family, and Bob LaRoche of Andover Strategies attended the conference in the Canon building near the country's capital.

Speakers featured at Meehan's 7th Annual Legislative Issues Seminar included Shalala, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General Henry Shelton, House Minority Leader Richard Gephardt (D-Mo.), U.S. senators John Kerry and Edward Kennedy (D-Mass.),

and Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.)

Speakers also included a host of media personalities, most of whom were asked if George Bush or Al Gore would be president after the next election.

Television journalists Sam Donaldson and Cokie Roberts each weighed in on the media and electoral politics.

Donaldson said television has changed the nature of politics so that people wonder less if they agree with a candidate on the issues, and more if they appreciate a personality.

"I'm afraid sizzle is what's so important," Donaldson confessed earnestly, firmly holding the podium. He told of meeting world leaders throughout his career, from the fascinating to the dull, from Yasser Arafat to King Abdullah, and the chance to discuss the most pressing affairs of the world.

But in America today, Donaldson said, "The question is, 'Do we like him?'"

Television journalist Cokie Roberts declared the Starr Report one of the "funniest documents ever written," including a quote from President Clinton responding to a complaint from Monica Lewinsky that he doesn't call her any more.

"Every day can't be sunshine," the president reportedly said, according to Roberts, who repeated the line with a mocking grin.

Roberts agreed that the upcoming presidential election was a battle between personalities rather than ideologies. But such a campaign can change direction abruptly when candidates are forced to deal with sudden events, especially those affecting the economy.

When asked whether journalists should be privy to all aspects of a candidate's personal life, Roberts said she felt



White House photo

Oh, baby — One day after hosting Andover residents in Washington, Congressman Marty Meehan (center) and his family — from left, three-month-old son Robert Francis Meehan, wife Ellen Murphy and mother-in-law Theresa Murphy — were greeted by President Bill Clinton, following a Clinton radio address.

personal issues, in almost all cases, should remain personal.

"We do a great disservice to democracy to portray politicians as only doing things for political gain," Roberts said.

But the race for president is in a different category, because voters choose their president on personality, not issues, she said.

"At the presidential level, everything is fair game," she said.

She added that things to watch for in

the upcoming campaign include candidate appeals for the women's vote.

The term "compassionate conservatism" is designed to appeal to women, who are voting more and more, she said.

"Women elected Clinton. That's what that language is all about," she said.

Washington Post Columnist Mary McGrory praised Massachusetts for leading the way in legislation, and cited recent gun laws approved by the state.

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New question walks onto debt-exclusion ballot

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of the new schools would be presented to Town Meeting were continuing among School Committee and Board of Selectmen members when the warrant closed in January.

School officials wanted the off-site sidewalks presented separately because they are controversial, and could jeopardize support for the schools, says Superintendent Claudia Bach.

"It can give voters a reason to pause, and we hope they won't pause in voting for the schools," Bach said Wednesday.

Becker says selectmen think the sidewalks should be part of the school project, but agreed to make it a separate warrant article from the schools project.

When the project also appeared as an additional item on the debt-exclusion ballot Monday, some were surprised.

Not Selectman Chairman Brian Major.

"I like the idea of making it debt exclusion," he says of Article 10, because it will remove the project from affecting the tax levy.

Becker says school officials had asked selectmen to put the sidewalk project within the tax levy, but selectmen refused.

"We felt it was part of the (new schools) project," Becker says.

If the school article failed, the sidewalks would not be a high priority and should not be in the budget, Becker says.

Stapczynski also believes the neighborhood sidewalks should have been included in the cost of the school project, and in the same debt exclusion question.

Selectmen disagreed, and voted to put the sidewalks on the ballot as a separate question, Stapczynski says.

Constructing sidewalks through a neighborhood where children walk to school is sometimes "an afterthought" for Andover, Stapczynski says. But since the two new schools, if approved, would be built in an undeveloped area, Stapczynski says he wanted the neighborhood sidewalks and the school built at the same time.

"I wouldn't be putting the sidewalks in there if

it weren't for the schools," Stapczynski says.

He says he has always felt the sewers, the sidewalks and the schools for West Andover were parts of the same project.

Bach, who is also a member of the School Building Committee, said Tuesday that the School Committee had not discussed the issue.

She also said she was not aware that the neighborhood sidewalk construction project would appear on the debt-exclusion ballot.

Several other school and town officials say they did not expect the sidewalk article to be included on the debt exclusion ballot.

While the building committee supports the building of sidewalks, it did not support including this sidewalk project in the new-schools proposal. Members feared voters might reject the school because of the sidewalks.

Article 9 of Town Meeting 2000 would approve construction of two new schools at Cross Street and High Plain Road, and only sidewalks that extend to the end of the school site, says Mark Johnson, chairman of the School Building Committee.

Article 10 would authorize construction of sidewalks off the school site.

According to Jack Petkus, public works director, the sidewalk construction proposed in Article 10 would cover Forest Hill Drive from River Road past Cross Street to High Plain Road, and on High Plain Road from Haggets Pond Road to Cross Street and one block further.

He estimates the total project to be about two miles of sidewalk. Stapczynski says the project would be in line with his townwide plan to prioritize sidewalk projects.

"My position is that any (sidewalk project), within a half-mile of a school, the town should pay for," Stapczynski says.

Johnson says the committee approves of

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POLICE LOG

ARRESTS

Wednesday, April 5 — At 8:28 p.m., police arrested Hector R. Rodriguez, 28, of 95 Greenwood St., Lawrence and charged him with conspiracy to violate controlled substance laws, possession of a class B substance with intent to distribute, unlicensed operation of a motor vehicle and being a fugitive from justice.

Thursday, April 6 — At 10:53 a.m., police arrested James Spartz, 26, of 99 Cluff Crossing Road, Salem, N.H., and him charged with operating a motor vehicle after his right was suspended.

At 10:32 p.m., police arrested and charged Brian J. Nastasi, 28, of 23 Cove Road, Salem, N.H., on a warrant. Friday, April 7 — At 11:55 a.m., responding to a call from Andover Bank, police arrested Celinette Jordan, 22, of 273 So. Broadway, Lawrence, and him charged with larceny of property over \$250, forgery, and uttering a forged instrument.

At 12:12 p.m., on Post Office Avenue, police arrested Rosa N. Caceres, 32, 61 Bailey St., Lawrence; Jose L. Rivera, 19, 96 Market St., Lawrence, and Gary L. Gill, 47, of 96 Market St., Lawrence. They were each charged with possession of a class A substance with intent to distribute in a school zone and conspiracy to violate drug laws.

Tuesday, April 11 — At 1:44 a.m., police responded to a Lowell Street caller reporting a vehicle, spinning its tires, stuck in the woods. Police arrested and charged Tricia J. Connolly, 25, of 1821 Middlesex St., Lowell, on a warrant.

At 9:50 a.m., police arrested and charged Joyce L. Carter, 47, of 13 Traverse St., Wakefield, on a warrant for larceny under \$250.

At 4:27 p.m., police arrested and charged Frank H. MacMillan, 42, of 20 Fosters Pond Road, Andover, on a warrant.

INCIDENTS

Friday, April 7 — At 6:12 a.m., a Starr Ave. East resident called to report a moose on a neighbor's doorstep. The moose was gone when an officer arrived.

At 5:48 p.m., police in the Chandler Road area reported a rock dropped from the Route 93 overpass. Police found no one in the area but an in-line skater who was not responsible, police say. State police attended to the victim in the Route 93 South-bound lane.

At 7:33 p.m., state police reported two deer struck just north of the Barracks on Route 125. One car had headlight damage.

At 10:53 a.m., someone reported a female in the bushes with no shoes on, and it appeared she had been in the river all night. Police report the subject is OK, and refuses to go with them. She is going to be walking to

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At 10:25 p.m., a security worker from Grill 93 reported someone trying to buy alcohol with a false ID. An officer filed a report.

Sunday, April 9 — At 5:43 a.m., an Osgood Street resident said she woke up to find two men on the roof looking in the window. Officers found no one, and filed a report.

At 3:42 p.m., a Bullfinch Drive caller reported that her car was stolen overnight by her sister. An officer responded, but the caller declined to press charges against her sister.

Monday, April 10 — At 9 a.m., an Olympia Way resident, who called an officer the previous night to help look for a bat in the house but never found one, reported he heard noises in the chimney. Caller believes the animal is now in a pot hanging from the fireplace. Officer reports negative results.

Tuesday, April 11 — At 3:47 p.m., a caller from the Andover Senior Center reports she captured a black and white domesticated mouse. Officer retrieved the animal and transported it to the station, as there is an individual who would like to adopt it.

BREAKS

Tuesday, April 11 — At 12:15 a.m., police reported a Lowell Street home was broken into. Resident called to say he was standing in his kitchen with a loaded shotgun because he thought there was an intruder in the house. Police confirm the house was broken into.

THEFTS

Friday, April 7 — At 1:33 p.m., a Mohawk Drive resident reported the theft of a cell phone from a locker room at the High School between 11 a.m. and noon.

Saturday, April 8 — At 8:15 a.m., a caller reported that someone had taken tools from his flatbed truck while it was parked at the Ballardvale train station.

At 3:58 p.m., a Salem Street caller reported her credit card stolen, and it was used on April 4.

Monday, April 10 — At 11:55 p.m., a Meadowbrook Drive resident reported a person stole a compressor and a nail gun from his or her residence.

AUTO INCIDENTS

Saturday, April 8 — At 3:13 p.m., a Tewksbury Street caller reported her car was broken into. The alarm was sounding and the glove box had been opened.

At 9:43 a.m., a Clark Road caller reported his motor vehicle was broken into overnight. Officer took fingerprints from the vehicle.

At 8:01 p.m., a Chester Street resident reports her car was broken into overnight and her pocketbook was stolen.

VANDALISM

Wednesday, April 5 — At 2:39 p.m., a driver came into the station and reported a rock was thrown at his car as a school bus passed him on Woburn Street. This is the

third incident like this he has experienced.

Monday, April 10 — At 4:45 p.m., a Lucerne Drive resident reported someone kicked his car while it was parked in his driveway.

Bomb scare case dismissed by DA

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The student has been placed voluntarily by her parents into an alternative educational program in Andover, but was not allowed to graduate with her class from Doherty.

Her parents say she wrote to the superintendent, asking permission to attend graduation last year.

"My life has been upside down and inside out ever since this mistake toward me happened," she wrote, according to her parents.

Doherty Middle School administrators and Andover Police Chief Brian Pattullo were unavailable for comment Wednesday.

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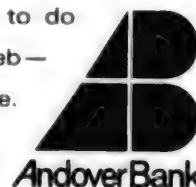
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On town-yard land, will Andover buy now, plan later?

By Rebecca Lipchitz

A Town Meeting proposal to buy land adjacent to the town yard, which may or may not be moved from downtown Andover, seems like a smart plan to some, and a possible waste of money to others.

Article 29 on the Annual Town Meeting Warrant asks voters to approve \$1 million to purchase three properties next to the town yard, where the town stores heavy machinery, a fueling station and its road salt and sand.

Specifically, the town aims to acquire three properties totaling 19,600 square feet, at 7 Lewis St., and 4 and 11 Buxton Court.

These lots are adjacent to the present 3.3 acre town-yard site across from the tracks on Railroad Street, behind the public safety center.

Finance Committee members voted not to recommend approving the money, for reasons including the absence of a specific plan on what will be done with the land, according to Finance Committee Chairman Don Schroeder.

"And the cost for 20,000 square feet at \$1 million seems to be very expensive," he says.

Town Manager Buzz Stapczynski says he thought the purchase would be a good investment for the town, even if it is not used for expanding the town yard.

"The land isn't going to go to some peaceful, quiet use," Stapczynski says. If the town does not develop it as a town yard, the land will likely be developed into housing or a commercial use.

"Having control of it only increases the value of the site for us," Stapczynski says.

Selectmen agree, and have voted to recommend approval of the article.

Meanwhile, Architect Herb Zeller of Camp Dresser & McKee in Cambridge presented to selectmen Monday one of four plans for the town yard.

This latest plan is to move the town-yard operations to a 5.5 acre site on Dale Street, a dead-end street in Ballardvale.

Zeller says wetlands constraints reduce the developable area of the parcel to 4.75 acres.

The proposal has raised hairs in Ballardvale, where many residents believe their neighborhood is already overrun by traffic from the adjacent industrial area.

Local developer Bill Perkins, who owns the

site, says he is willing to negotiate a deal for the parcel with the town, but has other plans for the property waiting in the wings if the town declines.

While Zeller presented the project to selectmen, Perkins later jumped up to point out benefits of the plan to selectmen, such as a small increase in parking for the Ballardvale commuter rail station.

"It's a very depressed site. We would make it look brand new," Perkins says.

Ballardvale resident Douglas White, a member of the Ballardvale/Lowell Junction Road Area Traffic Task Force, says he is upset the town would consider a plan that would increase traffic in the area when neighbors are trying to decrease and slow down traffic.

He adds that storage of chemicals or salt on the site could endanger the river.

A meeting to present the plan to residents is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, April 18, at the Memorial Hall Library, says Plant and Facilities Director Joe Piantedosi.

In addition to expanding the current downtown site or moving to Dale Street, the town is considering moving the town yard to a parcel behind the Montessori School between South Main Street (Route 28) and Route 125, or moving it to a parcel next to the West Andover Fire Station.

While each site has its pros and cons, Piantedosi says the differences in costs are hard to calculate.

Regardless of whether the yard moves, or expands in its current location, the town needs about 50,000 square feet of buildings to house administration and mechanical shops, and equipment and material storage areas, Piantedosi says, a plan that would cost between \$4.6 and \$6 million.

While the town would not have to buy property at the South Main/Route 125 site, or in West Andover, they would have to pay to acquire property to expand at the current site or to develop the Dale Street area.

Piantedosi says Perkins has not discussed a specific price for the Dale Street parcel, but has named prices within the range of \$1 million.

Moving the town yard to the Dale Street site

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A Capital affair

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Her understated speaking style combined with a dry sense of humor had the crowd chuckling throughout her speech.

She sarcastically defended NRA lobbyists who seem to believe "gun shows are the most wholesome form of family entertainment."

She decried the use of charter schools and said the idea of making public schools compete with charters is "grotesque."

"We don't have the right to give up on our public schools," she said.

Senator Richard Gephardt devoted his entire speaking time to education.

Gephardt said the government needs to recognize how family life has changed since the 1950s, and accept more responsibility for educating children.

"There was a price to pay when mothers went back to work, but we're not paying it," he said.

He called for expansion of before- and after-school programs, and praised a teacher who mandated parent involvement in her school activities, even knocking on parents' doors in some cases.

American businesses are lobbying the government to expand the visa program to allow

more foreign-born laborers into the country, because high-tech jobs for highly trained people remain unfilled. This is a sign that America has fallen behind in education, Gephardt said.

He decried the lack of trained teachers, and called for better pay and more respect in response. He called on local communities to improve education from the ground up, criticized the school-voucher program, and promised to work for more money for public schools from the federal level.

"I have absolute faith in the community to meet a challenge of this kind," he said.

Conservative commentator Bob Novak of CNN's *Crossfire*, self-proclaimed "Prince of Darkness," praised Meehan for his work on campaign finance reform, but otherwise discussed the need for fiscal conservatism, the lack of Social Security, and other issues with a dry and self-effacing wit.

Senator Kerry also praised Meehan's work on campaign finance reform, and said it would have a profound effect on the national agenda.

"The reason we don't get more done around here is that each issue is directly tied to campaign finance reform," Kerry said.

Lobbyists spend \$100 million a month on legislators, trying to encourage or discourage them from certain actions, he said.

"The agenda in this city is too much determined by the money," Kerry said.

Town yard

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would also require purchasing between two to five houses located at the end of Dale

Street.

Piantadosi says he has not spoken to any of the homeowners, and does not know if they would be willing to sell their homes.

Meanwhile, resident Leo Doherty, who lives downtown

near the town yard, asked selectmen to make a decision about the fate of the yard, since area residents are looking to sell their homes, but can't because no one can tell a prospective buyer what is in store for the site.

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LETTERS

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Teachers want school

Editor, *Townsmen*:

Over the past weeks many letters have been printed in the

Townsmen regarding the urgent need for a new elementary and middle school. The writers have been knowledgeable and informative, as well as eloquent in their arguments for citizen support for Warrant Article 9 at Town Meeting on April 24. As teachers with a combined total of 48 years in the Andover schools, one of us with 33

years at East Junior High/Doherty Middle School, we would like to add our voices to the growing number of those in town who realize the extreme need for this proposed building program.

Looking back into the history of Andover's schools as we remember them, it occurs to us that never has there been a building designed specifically for the needs of a middle school. East Junior High emerged from the first high school in town; Doherty metamorphosed from an elementary school; West Middle was once the second of the three high schools that Andover has had through the decades.

Granted, we feel that the students in our town have always had a wonderful opportunity to learn and grow, no matter the buildings in which they spent their formative years.

However, now it is the year 2000, and we have watched both the town and the student body grow beyond all expectations. We have seen how the deprivations of space have gradually encroached into the very lessons we teach.

Up to now, our administrators have been able to squeeze more room out of less and less, but that is no longer possible. At Doherty there are no more ramps under which to conduct orchestra classes, there are no more teachers' rooms to turn into classrooms, there is no more space left in the cafeteria or the industrial arts area to carve out new classrooms, the gym is filled to capacity so that the auditorium stage has to be used as well and there are not enough rooms left for all the classes being taught at any one time.

We could go on, but it has all been stated before. What it comes down to is that the middle and elementary schools have literally "hit the walls" and can go no further. The problems are not going to go away; we need to address them now so that Andover can continue to have the exemplary school system it has always expected and enjoyed.

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Arts & Entertainment

After 72 years, NE Drama Fest comes to Andover



Fired up — Andover's entry into the New England High School Drama Festival, *The Firebugs*, won a preliminary round, but did not advance to the finals, which will feature just two productions from each of the New England states, at the Collins Center next week.

Pictured above are *Firebugs* cast members Sharniese Turpin, Greg Brennan, Amy Feinberg, Courtney Domigan and Alex Ruskin.

By Kasie Kearins

The curtain will open on the New England High School Drama Festival next week at the Collins Center for the Performing Arts.

Although Andover High drama students will not take the stage, they will still play a major role in the 72nd annual event, which has never before been held in Andover.

Two productions from each New England state have made the Collins Center finals after weeks of intense competition. Andover's one-act play *The Firebugs* was selected as a winner in the preliminary round, but did not advance further.

The festival, an annual theatrical showcase, will attract more than 500 performers. Each visiting school will be paired with an Andover student who will assist actors with any questions, and make the visitors feel at home.

In addition to the performances, workshops and discussion groups will be held throughout the course of the three-day festival. Improvisation, stage combat and technical design are a few of the programs on the agenda.

Christopher Shailor, Andover High

theater director, says, "And while it's specifically a theater festival, it's also about developing strong communication skills, as well as fostering an ethic of discipline. That's key, because it's something these students will take with them no matter what profession they enter."

The festival has a distinguished alumni roster. Members from recent years include *Dogma* and *Good Will Hunting* co-stars Matt Damon and Ben Affleck.

Performances will run Monday, April 17, from 1 to 9 p.m.; Tuesday, April 18, from 10:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.; and Wednesday, April 19, from 10 a.m. until noon.

Tickets are available at the door for \$15 for all performances, \$12 for a one-day ticket and \$7 for a single session.

Those interested in the shows can call the Collins Center at 623-8647.

This marks the 72nd anniversary for the New England High School Drama Festival. It is sponsored by the New England Drama Guild. Representing Massachusetts will be Lexington High School, performing *MYTH*, and Brockton High School, with scenes from *Learn Me Somethin'*.

'Sleeping Beauty' awakens with NECB

New England Civic Ballet's sparkling new production of Tchaikovsky's *The Sleeping Beauty* premieres April 15 and 16 in North Andover and Lawrence.

The cast is composed entirely of Merrimack Valley dancers. Local dancers include Meghan Bradley as the Bluebird and dancing the Grand Waltz, Elana Cogliano, Jacqueline Mimno, Natasha Pakravan, and Aubrey Scarborough as children of the court, Tanya Garcia as a sprite and attendant to the Lilac Fairy, Elizabeth McCarthy as a friend of Aurora, Leslie Peck as a gremlin, and Stephanie Wong as a sprite and a gremlin.

New England Civic Ballet's artistic directors say they "have designed and choreographed this production to appeal to a family audience as well as those interested in dance."

According to Roshni Pecora, co-artistic director, "This is a true ensemble production. Every role is like a lead role with a distinctive personality that the choreography reflects. Everyone has a specific message and an essential part in moving the story along. So every single dancer is the most important person in the story when she or he is on stage."

The New England Civic Ballet will perform Saturday, April 15 at 2 and 7 p.m. at the Rogers Center for the Performing Arts, Merrimack College, Route 114, North Andover.

The company will perform a second matinee on Sunday, April 16 at 3:30 p.m. at Lawrence High School, 233 Haverhill St., Lawrence. For tickets and additional information, contact New England Civic Ballet, 87 Swan St., Methuen; 975-0282; or neccballet@aol.com.

Andover photog will decide photos fates

Photo2000 Black and White, a classic juried photography show will run until June 18 at Lowell's Brush Art Gallery and Studios.

It is the first juried photography exhibition for the Brush Art Gallery.

The juror for the exhibition, internationally renowned photographer and Andover resident Arno Minkinen will be selecting works for inclusion in the exhibition and will select the prizes. Eileen O'Keefe Byrne, a photographer and resident artist at the Brush, is organizing the exhibition.

Arno Minkinen is a Finnish-American photographer and professor at UMass Lowell. He is also visiting professor at the University of Art and Design in Helsinki and the Haute Ecole d'Arts Appliques in Vevey, Switzerland. His monograph, *Waterline* (Aperture) was voted Book of the Year at the 5th Rencontres d'Arles. Other monographs include *Frostbite* (1978) and *Body Land* (1997). Minkinen's work can also be seen in *The*



'Untitled' by Arno Minkinen

What a view — Award-winning photographer Arno Minkinen will be the juror for a show at the Brush Art Gallery.

Photography Book, *Waterproof* and *Ten Minutes Past Midnight*, the catalog of a double-exhibition in autumn, 1998 at the Galleria Kallela Museum in Finland and the Mois de la Photo in Paris, Barry Friedman Gallery in New York, Photo

and Co. in Turin, Italy, and Nathalie C. Emprin in Paris represent Arno Minkinen.

Artists from New England were invited to submit a maximum of four black and white photographs for the jurying process. The maximum size of each entry

is limited to two by three feet. It is expected that approximately 40 photographers will be represented in the exhibition.

Cash Awards for the exhibition include a first prize of \$300, second prize of \$200, third prize of \$100. There will be two honorable mentions of \$25 each.

The Brush Art Gallery and Studios is a non-profit service, education, and membership organization which provides studio and exhibition facilities for artists and programs to educate the general public about the artistic process. Modeled after the Torpedo Factory in Alexandria, Va., the Brush is the city's main venue for contemporary art. It is located at 256 Market St., in a restored silk mill in the National Historical Park, next to the Visitor Center, in Lowell. Gallery hours are: Tuesday through Saturday 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 1 to 4 p.m. Free admission, free parking, wheelchair accessible.

For more information, call (978) 459-7819.

Pair of special Peabody events

The Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology at Phillips Academy is offering two special events.

Antiquities Identification and Evaluation

On Thursday, April 13, from 6 to 8 p.m., the museum presents its second annual Antiquities Identification and Evaluation event. Based on the concept pioneered by WGBH's highly successful Antiques Roadshow, the museum invites people to bring in archaeological or ethnographic objects for identification and evaluation by experts.

Noiman Hurst of the Hurst Gallery in Cambridge will join the museum's director, archaeologist and historian James W. Bradley, and curator, Malinda Blustein. Hurst is a noted consultant, appraiser and fine arts dealer, specializing in ancient, ethnographic, and tribal arts.

Appropriate objects include arrowheads and other ancient tools, baskets, headwork, pottery, textiles, and jewelry, especially from the Americas.

Hors d'oeuvres and beverages will be served. The charge is \$15, or \$10 for museum members,

payable at the door. Space is limited. For reservations or further information, call the Museum at 749-4490.

Spring Family Open House

On Wednesday, April 19, from noon to 5 p.m., the museum invites the local community, especially families with children, for a Spring Vacation Open House. The museum is appropriate for children age 6 and older.

In addition to the exhibitions, there will be a lively series of hands-on activities available during the afternoon, which include:

• *Message in a (Coke) Bottle* — Through a collection of Coke bottles spanning 35 years, students can learn to describe and interpret objects, and find out that common objects tell us a lot about our own culture through time.

• *Andover 1492* — With an indoor simulation of an archaeological dig at the Shattuck Farm site in West Andover, experience how archaeologists find and analyze evidence to learn about the past.

Roundup: Open mic, camp

Middle School teens can be a star at Open Mike Night at Memorial Hall Library on Friday, April 14 from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

This event is an opportunity for teens to perform music live, lip sync, read poetry, or perform a favorite scene from a play or movie. Organizers say this is not a competition, but rather an opportunity to get together and share talents.

Audience members and performers will be eligible for free door prizes, such as gift certificates to Newbury Comics, movie passes and more. Refreshments will be served.

Entry forms are available at the library, and at Doherty and West Middle Schools. This free evening is co-sponsored by the West Middle School Library Media Center and the Young Adult

Department of Memorial Hall Library in honor of April being National Poetry Month, School Library Media Month, and National Library Week.

For more information call Beth Kerrigan at the library at 623-8401 ext. 36.

Out of town: Hamlet

Hamlet will be performed at Brooks School in North Andover on Friday, April 14, at 7 p.m. in the auditorium. Admission is free and open to the public. For further information, call Michael L. Walczak, head of the Brooks theater department, at 686-6101, Ext. 3340.

'Creative' vacation

Are you looking for a fun-filled theatrical experience for your child during

April Vacation week? Creative Arts still has a few openings in their April Vacation Theatre Arts Camp. The camp which runs from 8:30-5:30 each day, April 17-21, is for children ages 6 to 14. "The children will have fun learning their lines from a script, making props and scenery, creating costumes, while learning what is involved in producing a play," say organizers. The week will end with a performance of the play *East of the Sun and West of Moon*.

Creative Arts is located in the First Congregational Church, 25 Woburn St., Reading, with entrance and parking on Sanborn Street. Register for the theater arts camp by calling (781) 942-9600.

Registrations are also being taken for the many summer camps offered at Creative Arts in art, music, and theater. Creative Arts is a non-profit community school of the arts.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 13

Second Annual Antiquities Identification and Evaluation Event, bring arrowheads, baskets, posters, textiles, jewelry and other archaeological and ethnographic pieces for identification and evaluation by the museum staff and Norman

Hurst of the Hurst Gallery in Cambridge, 6-8 p.m., \$10 for museum members, \$15 for non-members, Robert S. Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy; 749-4490 for reservations.

En Passant, by Douglas MacKaye Harrington, a drama lab production directed by Cecil

Ferrando '00, potentially difficult subject matter (call 749-4436 with questions), time to be announced, \$5 general public, \$2 with Phillips ID, theatre classroom, Phillips Academy; 749-4433.

Senior Community Breakfast, Janice Hrenko of Elder Services of the Merrimack Valley on "Keeping Current: Updates on Medicare and the Senior Pharmacy Program," 9-10:30 a.m., Sutton Hill Center, North Andover.

Interpretive program, Andover Historical Society, 10 a.m., 475-2236.

Poet Emilio Mozo reads from his new book, *Hotel Des Etrangers*, along with Mark Schorr, Margarita Curtis and Peter Lorenzo on guitar, Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St., 7 p.m.; Julie Carlson 475-0143.

Gathering of Women, "Who Will Catch Me if I Fall?", 7:30 p.m., free, Tewksbury Public Library, corner of Chandler and Main streets, Tewksbury.

Homebased Businesswomen's Network Inc., "Everything You Wanted to Know, But Didn't Know Who to Ask," Village Green Restaurant, Danvers, 7 p.m., \$10; (781) 861-6972.

Book Fair, Sanborn School

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"1964 - The Tribute," a band that calls itself the No. 1 Beatles show in the world, will play in the Collins Center for the Performing Arts (adjacent to Andover High School) on Friday, May 5, at 7 p.m. For tickets contact Joe Spanos or Jo Ann Samra at 623-8612, or call 623-8635 or 623-8274. Organizers advise early ticket sales, before the event sells out. All proceeds will go to the marketing and television programs at Andover High School.

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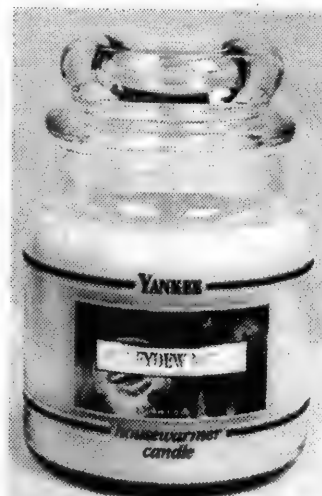
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Media Center, 3-8 p.m.; 623-8860.

Math and Technology Night, Bancroft School, 6:30-7:30 p.m.; 623-8880.

Parent Advisory Council meeting, Doherty Middle School, 7:30 p.m., Media Center; 623-8750.

FRIDAY, APRIL 14

Open Mike Night, sponsored by West Middle School media center and Memorial Hall Library's young adult department, opportunity for teens to perform music or drama, entry forms at library and both Andover middle schools, audience and performers eligible for door prizes, performance 7-9:30 p.m., Memorial Hall Library, Elm Square; Beth Kerrigan, 623-8401 Ext. 36.

En Passant, see Thursday, April 13, entry.

Earth Day Story Swap, 7p.m., bring an earth story to tell or just come listen, Andover Bookstore, 89R Main St.; Susan Lenoe 475-0143.

Singles Dance, 8 p.m. to midnight, \$8, Knights of Columbus, 2068 Main St., Tewksbury.

Single Executives Club Dance, Sheraton Colonial Hotel, Lynnfield, featuring Brian Milligan, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., \$15, tie and jacket required, black tie optional.

Workshop, "Building a Toolbox for Inclusion," sponsored by the Department of Mental Retardation and the Coalition for Educational Advocacy, for people with disabilities, Harrows Function Room, Main Street (Route 28), Reading, 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m., \$10, registration required; Marti Wenzel (781) 942-4888 Ext. 19.

Open House, 5:30-8 p.m., free, Montserrat College of Art, 23 Essex St., Beverly.

Jesus Christ Superstar, Colonial Chorus Players, 8 p.m., \$14 adults, \$10 students and seniors, W.S. Parker Middle School, 45 Temple St., Reading.

The Mousetrap, Quannapowitt Players, 8 p.m., \$20, 55 Hopkins St., Reading, (781) 942-2212.

Late Nite Catechism, 7 p.m., \$20, Cyrus W. Irish Auditorium, Lowell High School; (978) 454-2299.

Comedy Escape, Steve Bjork, Dan Savage, Ira Proctor, China Blossom, North Andover, 9:30 p.m., \$10 to \$12.

Hamlet, Brooks School, auditorium, 7 p.m., free, 686-6101 Ext. 3340.

Palitz Lecture, *Does Ethics Matter in Economics?*, Amartya Sen, 1998 Nobel Prize winner in Economic Sciences, 7 p.m.; Tang Theatre, Phillips Academy; 749-4007.

SATURDAY, APRIL 15

Concert, "Kasia's Concert for the Critters" benefits MSPCA Methuen Shelter, Doherty Middle School, 7 p.m., \$10 adults, \$8 children under 12 and seniors.

Conference, "Practical Alzheimer's Care," 12th annual Merrimack Valley Alzheimer's Conference, Wyndham, Olde River Road, Andover, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., (978) 683-7747 to register.

Jesus Christ Superstar, 8 p.m., see Friday, April 14

entry.

The Mousetrap, Quannapowitt Players, see Friday, April 14 entry.

Late Nite Catechism, see Friday, April 14 entry.

Comedy Escape, see Friday, April 14 entry.

En Passant, see Thursday, April 13 entry.

Concert, Greg Brown, 8 p.m., \$18, New Moon Coffeehouse in Unitarian Universalist Church, junction of Routes 125 and 110, Haverhill; (978) 372-5173.



Greg Brown

SUNDAY APRIL 16

Hike, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, 23 hours, Harold Rafton Reservation, meet at 1:30 p.m., near parking lot at leaf-recycling, High Plain Road, Andover; Marta Hornidge 475-3595.

Hike, sponsored by Appalachian Mountain Club, 40th Annual Wapack Trail Hike, first section, 7 miles, register with trip leader by April 14; Larry Blood (781) 944-0929; <lblood@sprynet.com>.

Jesus Christ Superstar, 2 p.m., \$14 adults, \$10 students, seniors, see Friday, April 14 entry.

The Mousetrap, 2 p.m., see Friday, April 14 entry.

Late Nite Catechism, 2 p.m., see Friday, April 14 entry.

MONDAY, APRIL 17

PATRIOTS DAY

New England High School Drama Festival 2000; Collins Center for the Performing Arts, Andover High, 1-9 p.m., \$15 full festival ticket; \$12 one day ticket, \$7 single session ticket.

TUESDAY, APRIL 18

New England High School Drama Festival 2000; 10:30 a.m., see Monday, April 17 entry.

Play with Me, Waldorf Magical Strings Theater, 2 p.m., Peabody Public Library, Peabody.

"Understanding 18th Century Inuit-European Interaction in Labrador", sponsored by the The Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeology Society and Robert S. Peabody Museum; with speaker Leah Rosenmeier, repatriation and outreach coordinator, 7:30 p.m., open to the public free of charge, Robert S. Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy, Main Street; 749-4490.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19

New England High School Drama Festival 2000; 10 a.m.-noon, see April 17 entry.

Workshop, for North Shore small business owners, 7:45 a.m.-noon, The King's Grant, Danvers; (978) 542-6344.

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activities for adults and children, noon-5 p.m., Robert S. Peabody Museum, Phillips Academy, Main Street; 749-4490.

Photography slide show and narration, for camera enthusiasts of all ages and skills, explaining rules of good composition and related guidelines presented by Dick Morton of the Merrimack Valley Camera Club, in conjunction with MVCC photography show on display during month of April, 9:30 a.m., Memorial Hall Library; 664-3140 or 686-2656.

THURSDAY, APRIL 20

Spaghetti Supper, hosted by Youth Group, 6:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall, Ballard Vale United Church; Sheila Stone 475-1121.

FRIDAY, APRIL 21

Rumors, The Concord Players, 8 p.m., 51 Walden St., Concord; \$12, (978)-369-2990.

SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Shakespeare, Concordia Consort, Barnes & Noble Bookstore, Burlington Mall, 2 and 3:15 p.m., free, (781) 273-3871.

Maisy, come for a story and to meet the famous mouse, 1:30 p.m., free, childrens' room, Newburyport Book Rack; (978) 462-8615.

Third Annual Graduate Research Day, hosted by Salem State College's Graduate School, registration and refreshments will begin at 9 a.m., through noon, \$15, Martin Luther King Jr. Room, Ellison Campus Center, Salem State College, Salem, Mass.; (978) 542-7044 by April 14.

Rumors, see Friday, April 21 entry.

SUNDAY, APRIL 23

Easter Breakfast, 8:30-9:30 a.m., \$5 per adult, \$3 per child, \$20 maximum per family, Ballard Vale United Church; 475-2506.

ONGOING

Museums and Historic Homes

Andover Historical Society permanent exhibit Amos Blanchard House and Barn Museum, containing period rooms from 1820s to 1840s, with 19th-century farm and woodworking tools, library and office hours 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Tuesday-Friday, 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Saturdays, Mondays by appointment; \$4 adults, \$2 children, members free; Andover Historical Society, 97 Main St., 475-2236.

North Andover Historical Society, 153 Academy Road, North Andover, maintains two sites that feature museum galleries: 1789 Johnson Cottage, an artisan's home and workshop, and 1715 Parson Barnard House, depicting life from 1715-1830, 179 Osgood St. Thursdays, 2-4 p.m., permanent and changing exhibits highlight local life from the 17th to the 20th century, library and archive, \$3 adults, \$1 children, \$2 seniors, Johnson Cottage, tours Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m., \$5 adults for a combined tour of both properties; 686-4035.

American Textile History Museum, wheelchair accessible, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, Sunday and holidays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday, 9 a.m.-8 p.m., \$10 adults, \$7, seniors, students, group members; free for children under 6, 491 Dutton St., Lowell; (978) 441-0400.

Lowell National Historic Park, history of the American Industrial Revolution, guided tours of cotton and textile mills, canals, trolley rides, Pawtucket Canal Tour; Working People Exhibit at Patrick J. Mogan Cultural Center; Boot Cotton Mills Museum, open daily, 9:30 a.m.-5 p.m., \$4 adults, \$2 youth 6-16 and students, senior discount, free children 5 and under; (978) 970-5000.

Canal tours, sponsored by Lowell National His-

torical Park, Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; RSVP (978) 970-5000.

Exploring Lowell, join a ranger for a 30- to 90-minute program exploring a variety of Lowell-related topics, all tours are free, 1 p.m., Lowell National Historical Park Visitor Center, 246 Market St., Lowell; 970-5000.

New England Quilt Museum, *Mood Indigo: Antique quilts*, through May 21, hours 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Tuesday-Saturday, noon-4 p.m. Sundays, \$4, \$3 students/senior citizens, 18 Shattuck St., Lowell; (978) 452-4207.

Peabody Essex Museum, *The Real Witchcraft Papers*, *The Saltonstall Family Portraits*, *A Folk Art Sampler*, all ongoing, *Suggestive Curves*, *The Art of Watercraft*, through May 7, Monday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m.; Sunday noon-5 p.m. \$8.50 adults, \$7.50 seniors, students, \$5 children ages 6-16, free, children 5 and under, \$20 family rate, Phillips Library, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Thursday 1-8 p.m. Liberty and Essex streets, Salem; (978) 745-9500 or (800) 745-4054.

Cushing House Museum, Tuesday-Friday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Saturdays, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., \$4 adults, \$1.50 children under 12, members free, 98 High St., Newburyport; (978) 462-2681.

Wenham Museum, *Please Be Seated: Fine Furniture Making in America*, through April 16; Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., \$4, \$3.50 seniors, \$2 children 3 and over, handicap accessible, 132 Main St. (Route 1A), Wenham; (978) 468-2377.

Art Exhibitions

Addison Gallery of American Art, *Scenarios: Recent Work by Lorna Simpson*, through July 31; *Academy Hill: The Andover Campus*, April 22-July 31; *The Architectural Unconscious*, April 22-July 31; Phillips Academy campus, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday, 1-5 p.m.; (978) 749-4015.

Brush Art Gallery, Tuesday-Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sunday, noon-4 p.m., 256 Market St., Lowell; (978) 459-7819.

J. David Broudo Gallery of Art, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Endicott College, 376 Hale St. (Route 127) Beverly; (978) 232-2250, Interior Designs: An Exhibit of Work by Interior Design Firms through April 27.

Essex Art Center, Spring 2000, through May 19, 56 Island St., Lawrence; 685-2343.

Arthur Griffin Center for Photographic Art, *Two Generations of Westons: Edward, Cole, and Brett*, Tuesday-Sunday, noon-4 p.m., wheelchair accessible, \$3, \$2 seniors, members, students and children, free, 67 Shore Road, Winchester; (781) 729-1158.

Robert Lehman Art Center, Tuesday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday, 8:30 a.m.-noon; Sunday, 2:30-5 p.m., Brooks School, 1160 Great Pond Road, North Andover; (978) 725-6232.

McCoy Gallery, *Articulations: Works in Mixed Media*, exhibition by Richard Newman, through April 21, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Rogers Center for the Arts, Merrimack College, junction of Routes 114 and 125, North Andover; Jocelyne Faurbach 837-5190.

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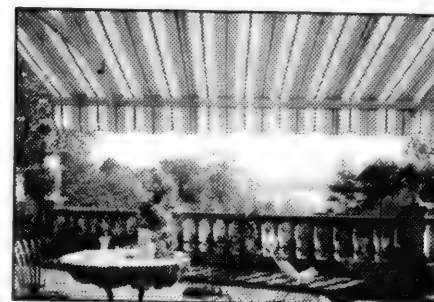


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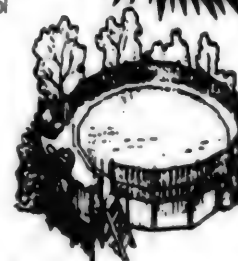
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Mingo Gallery, recent works of artists Ruth Franson and Bill Franson, through May 19, Tuesday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., 252 Cabot St., Beverly; (978) 927-5964.

Montserrat College of Art Gallery, Monday-Thursday, 11 a.m.-7 p.m.; Friday, 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Saturday, noon-4

p.m., 23 Essex St., Beverly; (978) 921-4242.

Senior Center artists, talented artists participate in art classes and enjoy the "drop-in group" on Wednesday and Thursday mornings, art display of oils, watercolors, pencil, pen and ink, pastels and oriental brush art is in the Music Room; Andover Senior Cen-

ter, Whittier Court, 623-8321.

Bravos Arts Gallery, spring exhibit of new work and new artists including T. Alexander Ross' small format landscapes of the upper midwest, and artist and teacher James R. Chisholm's over-sized traditional area landscapes, also, ongoing permanent collection

from abstract artist Doris Anthony; Thursday-Saturday, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., 1 East Main St., Georgetown; (978) 352-8102.

Town Manager's Offices, artwork on display varies monthly, Monday-Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Town Offices, Bartlet Street; 623-8200.

Ocmulgee Pottery and Gallery, pottery by Steve Ward and Laura Verrette, April 8-April 30, Monday-Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday noon-5 p.m., Evenings when classes are in session, 317 High St., Rte. A1, Ipswich; (978) 356-0636

Robert Lincoln Levy Gallery, through April 26, Art in General, WPA, Main Gallery, 136 State St., Portsmouth, NH, Wednesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday noon-4 p.m.; (603) 431-4230.

Wenniger Gallery, aquatints and etchings



Brigadoon is presented by the Valley Players at Amesbury Playhouse Dinner Theater, through April 22. From left are Jill Hasselbach of Bradford, Rob Carroll of Newburyport, Piper Rob Haskell of Danvers, Gerry Foss of Amesbury, and Kristen Dinsmore. Call (978) 388-9444 for more information.

presented by Elizabeth Morris, through April, Wenniger Gallery, 19 Mt. Pleasant St., Rockport; (978) 546-8116.

Saltbox Gallery, presents fine arts and crafts, silent auction through April 15, Tuesday-Friday 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.; (978) 887-3844.

p.m., dinner and show \$22-\$30, show only \$10.50-\$12.50, Amesbury Playhouse Dinner Theater, Amesbury; (978) 388-9444.

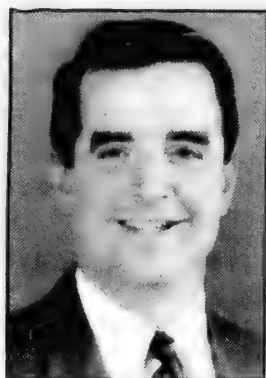
Jungle Book featuring Rishabh Iyer of Andover as Mowgli, Wheelock Family Theatre, 180 The Riverway, Boston, April 7 through May 7, Fridays, 7:30 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 3 p.m., \$10 to \$17, (617) 734-4760.

Hayavadana, presented by Tufts students, April 13-15, 8 p.m., \$8 general public, \$5 with valid Tufts ID, Balch Arena Theater, Tufts University, Medford/Somerville campus; (617) 627-3493, weekdays 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

Theatre
The Front Page, through April 30, Wednesday-Saturday, 8 p.m., Sunday, 2 and 7 p.m., \$18.50-\$32.50, Merrimack Repertory Theatre, 50 East Merrimack St., Lowell; (978) 454-3926.

Brigadoon, presented by the Valley Players, through April 22, Thursday, Friday, Saturday shows 8:30 p.m., dinner 7 p.m., Sunday show 6:30 p.m., dinner 5 p.m., Sunday matinee dinner noon, show 1

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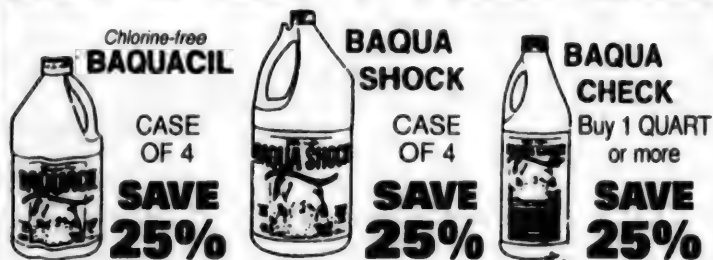
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Meetings/Activities

Alateen, ages 12 and over, for teenagers affected by someone else's drinking (Al-Anon meeting, for adults, meets at same time elsewhere in building), every Wednesday, 8-9:30 p.m., downstairs, Christ Church, 29 Central St., Andover.

Al-Anon, for adults, meets every Wednesday, 8-9:30 p.m., first floor, Christ Church, 29 Central St., Andover.

Adult children of alcoholics discussion meeting, Sunday, 10-11:30 a.m., Emerson Hospital Health Center, Route 110, Westford; (978) 251-3329 or (978) 448-5002.

Al-Anon literature study group, Fridays, 10:30 a.m.-noon, St. Anne's Church, King Street,

Littleton; (978) 256-9391 or (978) 448-5002.

Al-Anon 12 step meeting, Mondays, 10:30 a.m.-noon, St. William's Church, Route 38, Tewksbury; (978) 256-9391.

Andover Great Books Group, meets second and fourth Tuesdays, discusses book of the week, activity room, Memorial Hall Library, 7:30-9 p.m.; Jean McGreehan 667-9610.

Andover Choral Society, all voice parts are welcome to join, auditions are not required, rehearsals are held Mondays, 7:20 p.m., Christ Church, Central Street; Cathy Bruton 687-8225.

BNI Business Network International, Wednesdays, 7-8:30 a.m., Denny's, Route 114, Lawrence; Edna (978) 640-8919 or Steve (978) 975-1328.

Bridge game and lessons, Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Church, 6 Locke St.; (603) 382-0123 J. J. Zamierowski.

Adult Learning Center, 243

South Broadway, Lawrence, offers free citizenship classes Monday and Wednesday, 12:30-3:30 p.m.; Karen Sheridan 975-5917.

Al-Anon, Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., St. William's Church basement, Main Street, Tewksbury; Dottie 851-7655.

Drum and dance, rhythm instruction, third Friday of month, 7:30 p.m., free-form drumming and dancing, 8 p.m., some percussion instruments available for sharing or bring own, Unitarian Congregation, 6 Locke St.; 470-1134.

Exsultet!, a chamber choir, rehearsals Mondays, 7:30-10 p.m., Holy Trinity United Methodist Church, 16 Sylvan St., Danvers; Richard Larrage (781) 329-1741.

Learning in Retirement Association (LIRA), an organization for retirees and semiretired, meets every Monday during spring semester for seminars in world religions and world poli-

tics of the future, every Tuesday for seminars in art appreciation and every Thursday for seminars in foreign policy and science and technology, UMass-Lowell, Fox Hall, North Campus; (978) 934-3135.

Memorial Hall Library, book discussion every fourth Monday of the month, 7 p.m., Activity Room, Elm Square; Nan Stevens 683-7377.

Men's woodcarving group meets on Mondays at 9 a.m. on a drop-in basis at Andover Senior Center, 36 Bartlett St.; 623-8321.

Merrimack Valley Camera Club, Wednesdays, 7:15 p.m., Trinitarian Congregational Church, 72 Elm St., North Andover; Sarah Musumeci 688-1116.

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Marathon runners committed to a cause – and to finishing

By Michelle Eld and Jennifer Valeri

As a Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge runner in this year's Boston Marathon, Roy Dennehy was asked months ago to raise a minimum of \$1,500 for cancer research and treatment.

But Dennehy, a Wild Rose Drive resident, went further than that, vowing he would personally raise \$100 for each mile of the race, or \$26,200. With just a few days to go until Monday's event, Dennehy is proud to say he has accomplished his goal and then some.

To date, he has raised more than \$27,000 – all since Jan. 9.

Approximately 300 other Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge runners will raise \$2 million collectively for cancer research and treatment. Dennehy's efforts will make up a large part of that goal.

And Dennehy isn't the only Andover resident training for Monday's 104th Boston Marathon, or running for a cause. Several

residents are doing so, propelled toward reaching not just the finish line, but also a personal goal (their stories follow).

But, for Dennehy, the accomplishment will be bittersweet. He began training for this marathon in honor of his friend Nancy Rudomen, the wife of Bennett, his best friend and business partner. Sadly, Nancy lost her battle with cancer and died Feb. 11.

Still, Dennehy says he's more committed than ever to reaching that finish line, with Nancy in his heart.

"Nancy put up a good fight for three years," he says. "I don't think I would have done this without her. The dream has turned into a cause."

On race day, Dennehy will carry with him a baton filled with more than 1,000 names of people who have fought or are fighting cancer. The names come from the bottom of his pledge forms, which included a



Inspired – Roy Dennehy (at left), of Andover, with friends Nancy and Bennett Rudomen.

space where people could write their personal memories of a loved one who has cancer.

"There's no family who goes through life untouched by cancer," says Dennehy, who hasn't run

the Boston Marathon since 1980.

Bennett Rudomen, Nancy's husband, says one of Dennehy's original frustrations with Nancy's situation was that he felt he couldn't do anything to

help except be the best friend possible. Then, Dennehy came up with the idea to run for cancer research. "He's a great guy, a great friend," says Rudomen, a Stoneham resident.

Dennehy says he's amazed at the generosity of people and the support they have received. The average contribution was \$25, according to Dennehy, but all of those thoughtful donations grew to \$27,000 fairly quickly. Another way to raise money came in the form of T-shirts, which feature Nancy's picture on them. They sell for \$26.20, representing the exact length of the Boston Marathon, 26.2 miles.

"Frankly, what I'm doing is easy," he says. "The difficult part is those who have been diagnosed with cancer, those who didn't make it."

Patient Partners

When Andover resident Maureen Lynch runs next week's Boston Marathon, she'll

be doing it for a 10 year-old Methuen girl who suffers from ovarian cancer. To raise money for cancer research, Lynch – also a Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge runner – has paired up with young Marci Pride, who just underwent months of chemotherapy to rid her body of the disease.

As part of the DFMC Patient Partners program, the two have supported each other throughout the days and weeks leading up to the Big Day. Each year, approximately 50 runners are paired with patients from the Jimmy Fund Clinic, according to a press release.

Though she won't be running herself, Marci Pride will be waiting at mile 25 in Kenmore Square to cheer on her partner, Lynch, 34. The Patient Partners program gives children battling cancer the chance to bond with an adult who is not a parent or doctor, but simply a friend. The pair work toward a common goal, each lending

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Fast facts about Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge

- ▶ Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge (DFMC) runners from 20 states will raise \$2 million for the Claudia Adams Barr Program in Innovative Basic Cancer Research when they run in the 104th Boston Marathon on April 17.
- ▶ \$8.1 million has been raised since the DFMC's inception in 1989.
- ▶ This year marks the 11th annual running of the DFMC.
- ▶ Fifty current and former Jimmy Fund Clinic patients are paired with DFMC runners, as part of the Patient-Partner Program.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

Celebration committee announces 100th year gala at St. Augustine's

St. Augustine Parish in Andover will celebrate the 100th anniversary of the dedication of its present church on

Essex Street on Friday, May 5.

An all-parish gala dinner and celebration honoring the church's rich past will be held that evening at the Andover Country Club. Parishioners, friends, and townspeople are invited to join the festivities marking this historic occa-

sion. Mark Hebert's Little Big Band, a swing band from the Boston area, will entertain guests.

Co-chairpersons are Carole O'Connor, Frances Melia, Kathleen Cook and Annette DeVito.

Photography month at Memorial Hall Library

Dick Morton, past-president of the Merrimack Valley Camera Club, will present a program on Wednesday, April 19

Photo by Carol Van Doren

◀ Preparing for the May 5 gala celebrating the 100th anniversary of the dedication of St. Augustine's present church on Essex Street are co-chairpersons Carole O'Connor, Annette DeVito, Kathleen Cook and Frances Melia.

at 9:30 a.m. called "The Basics of photography composition and related guidelines." A two-projector slide show and narration for camera enthusiasts of all ages and skills, will be shown. He will explain how the rules of good composition and related guidelines can improve the results of your prints or slides.

Discussion will be on the rules of thirds, how to use a leading line, the beauty of selective focus, where, when, and how to center your subject, lighting and how best to use it, and other helpful advice.

The Merrimack Valley Camera Club members have also displayed their award-winning photography throughout the library.

For more information about the club, call 664-3140, or 686-2656.

Archaeology meeting explores Labrador

The Northeast Chapter of the Massachusetts Archaeological Society and the Robert S. Peabody Museum of Archaeology at Phillips Academy will co-sponsor a meeting Tuesday, April 18 at 7:30 p.m. at the Robert S. Peabody Museum, Main Street, Andover. The program, "Understanding 18th Century Inuit-European Interaction in Labrador" is open to the public free of charge. The speaker, Leah Rosenmeier is the repatriation and outreach coordinator at the Robert S. Peabody Museum.

Rosenmeier will explore the nature and extent of Inuit and European interaction on the Labrador coast during the early 18th century. Excavations at a series of winter hous-

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NEWS FOR SENIORS

By Pat Becker

Here are some of the activities planned at the Andover Senior Center.

Creative Cooking Class: Come join our creative cooking teacher, Ed Alessi, as he works his magic and creates a great lunch for us, with recipe-sharing, food, fun, and friendship Wednesday, April 19, at 9 a.m. Advance registration (\$5) is appreciated.

Hearing Screening: Northeast Rehabilitation Health Network will be on hand at the center to provide complimentary hearing screenings for seniors. Please note that these screenings will be by appointment only, so give the center a call if you'd like to schedule a time on Wednesday, April 26, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Woodcarving Class: Fred Arakelian will be back to teach another 10-week session of woodcarving, beginning Monday, April 24. Cost of the class is \$20 and pre-registration is necessary before the first class.

An Afternoon With The Bartlett Street Poets: Everyone is invited to come Friday, April 28 at 1:30 p.m. to enjoy readings by Andover poets as well as a special presentation by Frances McCormick. Bring along your favorite poem to share as well, original or not. A dessert reception with the poets will follow the program. There's no charge but preregistration is appreciated.

Brown Bag Lunch/Lecture: We're in for a treat Tuesday, April 25 at noon when naturalist Joan Ellis will lecture and provide us with a taste testing on "Wild Edible Foods." Learn what fun and interesting items are right in

your own backyard or neighborhood, \$2 with advance reservations appreciated. Bring a bag lunch; we'll supply dessert and beverages.

Earth Day Clean-Up Project: We'll join forces with Merrimack College and Doherty Middle School students along with the Village Garden Club as we aim to make Andover even more

beautiful. Give Pat a call at the center if you can donate a few hours of your time Saturday, April 29.

Fix-it shop: On Tuesday, April 18 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. our fix-it shop volunteers will be on hand to take a look at any small appliance or household item that might be in need of repair.

Movie Matinee: On Monday, April 24

at 1 p.m., comic genius Steve Martin delivers a great performance in *Roxanne*, a story of unrequited love and comic misadventures. Movie Mondays are sponsored by Andover Video.

April supper club: On Wednesday, April 26, we will dine at the Roma Restaurant in Haverhill at 5 p.m. Cost is \$15 inclu-

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HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES

Baptist

Andover Baptist Church
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PALM SUNDAY: 10 a.m. Sunday school, 11 a.m. worship with Judy Haley as guest speaker.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m. Service of Tenebrae in Fellowship Hall.

GOOD FRIDAY: 8:30-10 a.m., Prayer walk begins and ends at St. Augustine's parking lot on Essex Street; coffee and buns at 8:15 in the parking lot.

EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m. Sunrise service at parsonage; 10 a.m., Sunday school; 11 a.m. Easter celebration.

Catholic

St. Augustine Church
43 Essex St., Andover
475-0050

SATURDAY: 4 p.m.

PALM SUNDAY: 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (Children's Liturgy, Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher, Merrimack College), 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.

HOLY WEEK: Private confessions, Monday, April 17, 11:30 a.m., 4:30 and 7 p.m., Tuesday, April 18, 11:30 a.m., 4:30 and 7 p.m., Wednesday, April 19, 11:30 a.m., 4:30 and 7 p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Mass of the Lord's Supper.

GOOD FRIDAY: 3 p.m., Stations of the Cross; 7:30 p.m., celebration of the Lord's Passion.

HOLY SATURDAY: 8:30 p.m. Easter vigil celebration.

EASTER SUNDAY: Masses, 8 a.m., 9:30 a.m., 9:30 a.m. (Children's Liturgy, Collegiate Church of Christ the Teacher, Merrimack College, 11 a.m., 12:30 p.m.

Masses in St. Rita's Hall (lower church), 8:05 a.m., 11:05 a.m., no 5:30 p.m. Liturgy.

St. Robert Bellarmine Church
Haggetts Pond Road, Andover

St. Joseph's Church
22 High Vale Lane, Ballardvale

PALM SUNDAY: 10 a.m.
EASTER SUNDAY: Mass, 10 a.m.

Congregational

Free Christian Church
31 Elm St., Andover
475-0700

Episcopal

Christ Church
25 Central St., Andover
475-0529

PALM SUNDAY: 8 a.m., Communion - Rite I, Liturgy of Palms and The Passion Narrative, 10 a.m., Communion - Rite II, Liturgy of Palms and The Passion Nar-

ative.

TUESDAY: 8 a.m., morning prayer.

WEDNESDAY: 7 a.m., Holy Eucharist.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 8 a.m. Morning Prayer, 7:30 p.m., Holy Communion Rite II, the Stripping of the Altar.

GOOD FRIDAY: noon, Liturgy, 2-4 p.m., Discovering the Passion; 7:30 p.m., the Stations of the Cross.

SATURDAY: 9:45 a.m., Holy Week story and symbol hunt for children in pre-K through fifth grade, 10 a.m. Liturgy, 7:30 p.m., the Great Vigil of Easter, Holy Communion, Rite II.

EASTER SUNDAY: 8 a.m., Holy Communion Rite I; 10 a.m., Holy Communion Rite II.

Inter-denominational

BrookRidge Community Church
15 Haverhill St. Andover
749-3640

Lutheran

Faith Lutheran Church
360 S. Main St., Andover

Unitarian

Unitarian Universalist Congregation in Andover
6 Locke St., Andover
475-4454

United Church of Christ

South Church
41 Central St., Andover
PALM SUNDAY: New members welcomed, church school.

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., Holy Communion, Service of Tenebrae (darkness).

SATURDAY, April 22: South Winds, 5 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY: 6 a.m., Sunrise Service at Missionary Rock on the Phillips Academy campus, Easter breakfast; 7:30-8:15 a.m., \$3.50 per person, under 6 free, 9 and 10:30 a.m. services, children welcome at all services, infant care available.

West Parish Church
129 Reservation Road, Andover
475-3528

United Methodist

Ballardvale United Church (United Methodist and United Church of Christ)
23 Clark Road, Andover
475-2506

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 7:30 p.m., come and reflect.

EASTER SUNDAY: 8 a.m., First service of Easter; 8:30-9:30 a.m., Easter breakfast; 10:30 a.m., Festive service of Easter and Holy Communion.

SOCIAL NOTEBOOK

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es located along the central coast, analysis of the faunal remains at the site and Inuit settlement patterns are highlighted. Together, they offer information on the degree to which Inuit people

shifted their economic production and altered their social organization in light of increased European presence in the North Atlantic. This research has been undertaken as a community archaeology project and has sought to integrate contemporary Inuit and Settler perspectives and experiences.

The Massachusetts Archaeology Society's Northeast Chapter meets the third Tuesday of the month, September through June. Membership to the Massachusetts Archaeology Society and the Northeast Chapter is open to all those who interested in furthering their study of archaeology and Native American cultural history.

For additional information on monthly programs or chapter membership, call the Robert S. Peabody Museum at 749-4490.

Family Service announces plans for special event

Family Service Inc. invites the public to its Building for New Generations Capital Campaign Kick-Off event on Saturday, May 6, at 6:30 p.m. at Old Town Hall. Enjoy a buffet dinner and silent auction along with live entertain-

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Concert benefits shelter

Kasia's Concert, a benefit for the MSPCA Methuen Shelter, will be held this Saturday, April 15, at Doherty Middle School.

Kasia Sokalla brings a solid classical training to her music and will combine various styles from simple folk songs to jazz/swing standards at the concert.

She recently released "an inspiring Christmas album," organizers said.

Tickets are \$10; \$8 for children and seniors. Tickets are available at: MSPCA Animal Shelter, 400 Broadway, Methuen; Andover Bookstore, 89 Main St., Andover; Music Place, 41 Main St., North Reading; Advance Photo, 4 Lowell St., North Reading; or K&J Music, call (978) 444-7200.

A portion of the ticket price will benefit the shelter where Sokalla adopted one of her guinea pigs, organizers said.

Easter services will be published again in the April 20 Townsman

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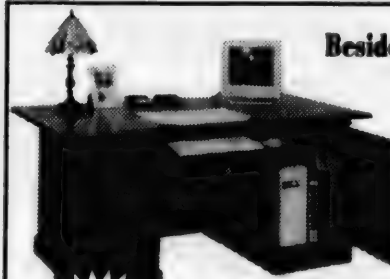


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RELIGION NEWS

Good Friday Prayer Walk set

Christian Church leaders of Andover, and members of their congregations will gather once again on Good Friday, April 21, at 8:30 a.m. for a 2.6-mile Prayer Walk around the town of Andover.

The walk begins and ends at the St. Augustine Church parking lot on Essex Street. This is the sixth such effort to unite the churches in the work of praying for the community. Last year's walk had 10 pastors and nearly 150 lay people marching under the banner of the cross. This year, 13 churches have been invited to participate.

Nine stops are planned where a clergy representative from one of the participating churches will offer a brief prayer for some part of community life. Schools, town offices, fire and police stations, senior housing, shopping areas and work places will all be the inspiration for prayer. The emphasis is on positive themes of encouragement, hope and blessing.

The idea of praying for the community is in keeping with traditions of the past, when local clergy would walk the perimeter of their parish offering prayers for the crops, economic vitality, and health of their congregants. It echoes efforts in other area communities to bring churches together in prayer, notably the prayer breakfasts in Lawrence.

Organizers said, "Good Friday seemed to be the appropriate time to emphasize both our common heritage of Christian faith and the theme of service to the greater community, as we believe that Christ died for all of humanity on the cross. The symbol of the cross will be the focal point, as we seek the blessing of God for all of the people of Andover."

For more information, contact the Rev. Thomas Goldthwaite at Andover Baptist Church at 475-0166.

Christian Film Festival runs through Easter Sunday

Celebrate Easter week with the 8th Annual Merrimack Valley Christian Film Festival, April 16-23, at the Salem Tri Cinema, Route 28, Salem, N.H.

Admission is free to all shows.

Eleven featured films include *Tribulation*, *Revelation*, and *The Moment After*; the teen feature *16 to Life*, and the suspense double feature *Invisible Enemies* and *Final Exit*. Reportedly the most watched movie in history, *Jesus*, and two children's matinee double features complete the lineup, through eight consecutive days and nights.

"Admission is free and no tickets required," organizers said. "Bring your friends and family to the Salem Tri Cinema during Easter week. For more information on show times, call 937-4013."

Havurat Shalom Passover seder

Havurat Shalom, a reconstructionist Jewish congregation, will hold a Passover seder Wednesday, April 19, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. The seder will take place at Christ Church, 25 Central St. Reservations are required.

Call 794-0827 for more information, to make reservations and to coordinate food. A contribution of \$15 per member family and \$25 per non-member family is suggested.

Havurat Shalom is a community of families committed to providing a Jewish identity and education for its members, in a manner that is relevant to contemporary life. Havurat Shalom "extends a warm welcome to single parents, those without children, families of mixed heritage and families who have been or are members of any other Jewish congregation or have not recently practiced Judaism."

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OBITUARIES

Elwin T. Kelliher Everett police officer lived here for 24 years

Elwin T. Kelliher, 90, formerly of Andover and Everett, died Sunday, April 9 at Prescott House Nursing Home in North Andover.

Mr. Kelliher served for 44 years as a member of the Everett Police Department, retiring as a lieutenant. He lived in Andover for 24 years before moving to North Andover.

A member of St. Augustine Church in Andover, Mr. Kelliher was also a member of the Holy Name Society at Immaculate Conception Church in Everett, St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Theresa Church in Everett, and the Quincy Knights of Columbus.

Members of his family include his wife of 60 years, Kathleen M. (McAuliffe) Kelliher; sons and their wives Kevin and Frances Kelliher of Reading, John and Joyce Kelliher of Lynn, Colin and Adrienne Kelliher of Marblehead, and Richard and Yvette Kelliher of West Roxbury; daughter Mary and her husband Lennie Veno of Andover; 13 grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; and two nephews.

Arrangements were by the Dewhirst & Conte Funeral Home, 28 Florence St., Andover. A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday, April 11 in St. Augustine Church, followed by burial in Spring Grove Cemetery, Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Judith L. Carleo Registered nurse

Judith Lynne Clevesy Carleo, 44, of Andover died Monday, April 10, at her parents' home in Andover.

Mrs. Carleo was born in Shirley, Mass., and was raised in Haverhill, where she graduated from Haverhill High, class of 1973. She received her nursing degree from Northeastern University graduating with the class of 1978.

She was employed as a registered nurse in the Mother-Infant Unit at New England Medical Center for 21 years.

She was a member of Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston.

Members of her family include her parents, Melvin J. and Sandra R. (Jaques) Clevesy of Andover; son Robert A. Carleo III of Andover; sister Elizabeth A. Sanders of Windham, N.H.; brother Michael J. Clevesy of North Andover; maternal grandmother Yvonne G. Jaques of Atkinson, N.H.; and several cousins, nieces and nephews.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend a service to honor her life Saturday, April 15 at 4 p.m. in Trinity Church, Copley Square, Boston.

At her request, there will be no calling hours.

Arrangements were by the H.L. Farmer & Sons Funeral Homes, Haverhill/Bradford.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, 25 Stuart St., Boston, MA 02116.

Theodore J. Stone Retired NYC transit worker, moved to Andover in 1998

Theodore J. Stone, 88, of Andover died Tuesday, April 11 at home.

Mr. Stone was born in Saugus and raised and educated in Lynn and Brooklyn, N.Y.

He worked for several years for the New York City Transit Authority until his retirement. Before moving to Andover in 1998, he lived in Wanaque, N.J.

Members of his family include sons and daughters-in-law Theodore J. Stone Jr. and Madeline of Apollo Beach, Fla., Joseph T. and Judith Stone of Wanaque, and Timothy M. and Leslie Stone of Crozet, Va.; daughter and son-in-law Veronica and Thomas Boutureira of Andover; sister Dorothy Nelan of Medford Station, N.Y.; 13 grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

He was the widower of Cecilia R. (Sullivan) Stone.

There are no calling hours. Services will be private.

Burial will be in Christ the King Cemetery, Franklin Lakes, N.J.

Arrangements are by Charles Dewhirst, Edgerley & Bessom Funeral Home, 33 Pearson St., Andover.

Memorial contributions may be made to Merrimack Valley Hospice, 360 Merrimack St., Building 9, Lawrence, MA 01843-9924.

OBITUARIES

Judith Lynne Carleo, 44

Warren F. Cooper, 80

Alfred H. Costello

Isabel McCord Eccles, 98

Elwin T. Kelliher, 90

Thelma Harvey, 75

Michael P. Horigan, 69

Theodore J. Stone, 88

Deaths Elsewhere

COOPER - Warren F. Cooper, 80, of Lawrence, died Monday, April 10, at home. Mr. Cooper was a chef at Phillips Academy for 40 years before retiring in the early 1990s.

COSTELLO - Alfred H. Costello of East Williston, Long Island, N.Y., died peacefully at home Sunday, April 9. Members of his family include his daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Paul Goslin, and grandchildren Elizabeth and Michael, all of Andover.

ECCLES - Isabel McCord Eccles, 98, of Needham, formerly of Newport, R.I., died Monday, April 3, at North Hill, a retirement community in Needham.

Members of her family include a son, Frank McCord Eccles and his wife, Helen, of Andover.

A funeral service was held Saturday, April 8, in the North Chapel of Christ Church in Andover.

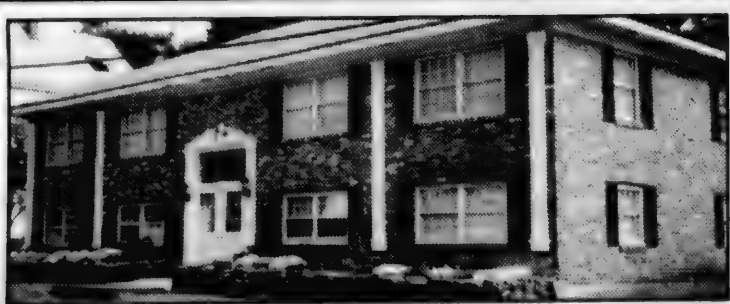
HARVEY - Thelma (Brand) Harvey, 75, of Methuen, died Sunday, April 9 at Lawrence General Hospital after a long illness.

She was an active member of Temple Emanuel in Andover, formerly belonging to Congregation Tifereth Israel in Andover.

Services were in Temple Emanuel, 7 Haggetts Pond Road, Andover, followed by burial in Jewish War Veterans Cemetery in Lawrence. Condolence calls may be at her residence through Sunday evening, April 16.

HORIGAN - Michael P. Horigan, 69, of Georgetown, died Tuesday, April 4, at home. He worked for Raytheon Co. in Andover.

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ment from a variety of performers including Peking in the Mystics, ballroom dancer Steve White, and Latin/Jazz band Mango Blue. A special performance by area youth will be the highlight of the event that will officially kick-off Family Service's \$1 million capital campaign.

Tickets to the event are \$60

per person.

For the first time in its 145-year history, Family Service, a Lawrence-based social service agency, is undertaking a capital campaign to prepare for future growth and financial stability. Building for New Generations will ensure that the thousands of children and families currently served will continue to receive cru-

cial intervention and prevention services.

The Building for New Generations Capital Campaign will enable the purchase and renovation of the Family Service headquarters building located at 430 North Canal Street in Lawrence. The campaign will also contribute to an endowment to support ongoing maintenance and renovations as well as program and staff development. The Family Service building will house clinical and admin-

istrative offices, and will greatly expand the space to conduct group outreach, education, and support programs for children, families, and elders.

For ticket information, or to make a donation to Building for New Generations, contact Heather Petro at 683-9505, Ext. 14.

Pack 79 Scouts earn badges for Service to America

The American Red Cross of Merrimack Valley said that the

Cub Scout Pack 79 of Andover has donated a chest full of school supplies to the School Chest Program.

The boys, who range from 9 to 11 years old, constructed the 11-by-17-by-27-inch chest out of pine, then filled it with educational, health and recreational supplies. Other members of Pack 79 donated the supplies.

The chest will be stored in a central Red Cross warehouse until needed by a school that has been affected by disaster.

There are enough supplies for a class of 24 students.

The school chest was one of several projects the boys completed to fulfill their Service to America badge.

For more information about the School Chest program, contact the American Red Cross of the Merrimack Valley at 683-2465.

◀ Cub Scout Pack 79 of Andover with the school chest. Top row: Tom Blanford, Rob Tornatore, Erik O'Connell, Conor Burke, Alex Macheras, Stephen Chan. Bottom row: Charles Wang, Michael Kasparian, Michael Chan.



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sive and menu selections are available at the center. Payment is due at the time of reservation, and reservations will be accepted through Friday, April 21. Newcomers are welcome.

Pancake breakfast: Help us kick off Older Americans' Month with a pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 6 from 8-11 a.m. Come and enjoy scrambled eggs, ham, pancakes, fruit, bagels, and beverages. Tickets are available at the center, on an advanced-purchase basis only, for \$3. Bring your families, friends, and neighbors and get your tickets early.

Financial Decisions for Women: State senator Susan Tucker, D-Andover, will sponsor this informative program for women on Friday, May 5 at 9:30 a.m. All senior women regardless of age, marital status or financial situation are strongly encouraged to make a reservation to attend. No charge.

Men's Breakfast: Our men's group cordially invites all interested senior men to join them Friday, April 14, at 8:30 a.m. for the monthly get-together. "Weather Facts Fun" is the topic, and Dick Whelan is the guest speaker. Dick has served as the official weather watcher for Boston television stations since 1964. Reservations, \$3 per person, may be made by calling the center. Newcomers are welcome.

Senior \$1,000 Club: March winners were: \$1,000 to Michael and Ethel Contos, \$100 to

Fran Luca, \$50 each to Barbara Dennis, Doris Godin, Marcella Feinman and Rita Dolan. Agent awards

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Business

Business briefs ...

Carroll named to RE/MAX of New England Platinum Club

Tom Carroll, of Andover, received the "Platinum Club" award for excellence in sales at the RE/MAX of New England Awards Gala held at the Boston Marriott Copley Place Hotel on Feb. 5.

The honor goes to New England sales associates who were in the top 5 percent of total sales dollars. Of 1,883 agents in New England, Carroll finished 12th, with \$15 million in sales.

He was also named to the RE/MAX Hall of Fame, a distinction awarded to only 172 New England agents since its inception in 1985.



Tom Carroll

"The success of our organization is a direct result of the contributions and commitment Tom has made to the real estate industry and to RE/MAX," said William Soteroff, executive vice-president and regional director, RE/MAX of New England.

RE/MAX Preferred is located at 44 Park St.

Carroll lives in Andover with his wife, Mary, and four children. He has been with RE/MAX of New England for five years.

Coutermarsh receives CPC designation from NAPS

Eva Marina Coutermarsh, formerly of Andover, recently received the certified personnel consultant (CPC) designation from the National Association of Personnel Services (NAPS).

The CPC and the certified temporary-staffing specialist (CTS) are the only national designations recognized globally by the personnel services and staffing industry. A CPC must be knowledgeable on employment laws and regulations, as well as business ethics and practices set forth by NAPS.

Coutermarsh, of KNF&T in Boston, joins approximately 8,700 CPCs in the nation, a designation which began in 1961.

"The playing field for recruiting the best talent has become overwhelmingly expansive over the last year, especially with the emergence of e-recruiting. Attaining national certification through NAPS is one way recruiters can set themselves apart from the rest," said Ronald J. Vallely, CPC, NAPS certification chairman.

Sullivan forms Andover Law, in North Andover

Timothy D. Sullivan, of Andover, has announced the formation of Andover Law, LLC.

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Secretary of State pushes China policy

By Neil Fater

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright told workers at Andover's Agilent Technologies last Thursday why they should call on Congress to grant Permanent Normal Trade Relations to China. To paraphrase — and to borrow a phrase from her boss — she says it's the economy, stupid.

"The choice is ours," says Albright. "We can open the China market to the Motorolas and Agilents and Ford Motors of America. Or we can rob our workers of opportunity by abandoning that market to the Nokias and Toshibas and Toyotas of the world."

Albright presumably made her carefully packaged appearance at Agilent because the company stands to benefit from increased sales in a more open China.

Before her address to about 200 employees, Albright took a tour of the facility. Photographers, but no reporters, were allowed to accompany her. After her speech, Albright took three questions from employees.

When asked by an employee about why discussion of China's human rights violations were not part of the WTO discussions, Albright answered, "The president and I, and other members of the administration, share your concern."

"It's a subject that we press at every opportunity. Whenever I meet (with Chinese officials) I make clear that this is a critical issue and our relations will never be completely normal until they work out their problems."

But Albright made it clear in her speech that she believes America will not force China to change by withholding the normal trade status. In fact, she says its will lose out by doing so.

"For America to benefit, under WTO rules, we must give China the same permanent normal trading status that we grant to the more than 130 other countries who belong to that organization," she says.

"The economic benefits of doing so are compelling," she says. "Between 1993 to 1998, Massachusetts doubled its export of goods to China. That trend will accelerate sharply if Congress approves PNTR for China."

"Agilent's own prospects tell this story well. Under our WTO deal signed in November, the tariffs on your high-tech medical equipment sold in China will be cut by more than half, while overall industrial tariffs on U.S. products will fall, on average, from nearly 25 percent in 1997 to less than ten percent by 2005."

"And if Congress approves Permanent Normal Trade Relations, Agilent and other American companies will also gain the comprehensive distribu-



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

Stately presentation — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright makes her case for awarding China Permanent Normal Trade Relations, last Thursday, April 6.

tion rights needed to take advantage of these lower tariffs. This means that, for the first time, you will have enforceable legal rights to sell, advertise, and service your products in China without going through the government."

Agilent officials clearly agree PNTR should be awarded.

For the appearance they issued a release noting "Agilent recognizes the seriousness and legitimacy of the concerns raised about various Chinese policies. However, we strongly support the policy of engagement as the best way to address concerns, and believe that human rights and security issues, for example, should be addressed separately."

Formerly a division of Hewlett-Packard, Agilent has a variety of interests in China, including three manufacturing sites.

In 1998, the most recent year for which data are available, Agilent was the market leader in China for cardiovascular ultrasound systems, defibrillators and stand-alone patient monitors.

Albright spent much of her speech positioning the PNTR vote as one that will greatly influence the nation's future.

"Our Congress will not vote on whether China enters the (World Trade Organization). Sooner rather than later, China will join. The issue before Congress is whether America will share in the economic benefits, or leave those benefits entirely to our competitors in Europe, Asia and elsewhere," says Albright.

"If Congress approves PNTR, we will reap these benefits. If not, our competitors in Europe and Asia will, leav-

ing us to wonder in years to come why we let this opportunity elude our grasp."

"In the coming years, we can expect that the pace of technological, social, economic and political change will continue to accelerate."

"And we can expect that one of the forces propelling that change will be a China increasingly shedding authoritarian control over people's lives, increasingly engaged in global commerce, and increasingly prominent in regional and world affairs," she says.

"In our own country, there are some who see this as very bad news. Pointing to China's rising military budget, its trade and arms export policies and its poor record on human rights, they say we should oppose China, seek to isolate it from the world community, and refuse permanent normal trade relations. To them, confrontation is the only principled option we have."

"I do not agree."

In fact, Albright argues that staying involved with China is the best way to influence its policies, including its economic ones.

"The agreement requires China to eliminate barriers to our companies that cost American jobs. For the first time, we will have a means — accepted under WTO rules — to combat such measures as forced technology transfers and other practices intended to drain jobs and know-how from the United States," she says.

"As a result, American companies will be able to export to China from home, rather than being forced to set up factories in China," says Albright. "Simply put, we'll be able to export our products without exporting our jobs."

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Professional Profile**Jonathan K. Gordon, M.D.**

Dr. Jonathan Gordon is vascular surgeon who recently joined the Vascular Associates of the Merrimack Valley, working with Drs. Nicholas Sannella and Paul Burke, Jr. The group has been providing vascular services for a quarter of a century and maintains offices in North Andover, Lowell, and Chelmsford.

Dr. Gordon performs surgery for leg pain, stroke prevention, complications from diabetes, and varicose veins, as well as surgery for patients requiring dialysis.

He attended New York Medical College and continued with his gen-

eral surgery residency at Boston University School of Medicine and completed a vascular fellowship at the Boston Veteran's Administration Medical Center. Before joining the Vascular Associates, Dr. Gordon was in practice at the Boston Veteran's Administration Medical Center and as an Assistant Professor of Surgery at Boston University. Dr. Gordon has participated in many clinical research projects and has presented data on carotid surgery and the complications of renal failure and diabetes at national and international meetings. Dr. Gordon has been involved with residency training for the past 5

years and has been presented multiple teaching awards. He was also given an award by his peers for his outstanding contribution to patient care at the Boston VA Medical Center. He is affiliated with the Lawrence General, Holy Family, and Lowell General Hospital, and Saints Memorial Medical Center.

Dr. Gordon's wife is a general surgeon specializing in vascular surgery and has her office at 100 Amesbury St., Lawrence.

Dr. Jonathan Gordon's office is located at 198 Massachusetts Ave., N. Andover. Tel (978) 687-0600.

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Timothy Sullivan

Mixer, more planned by MV chamber

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce has a pair of upcoming events.

Together with Minco and the Stevens Estate, the chamber is presenting "A Patriot's Marketing Mixer," Tuesday, April 18, at the Stevens Estate, 723 Osgood St., North Andover, from 5 to 7 p.m.

The event will feature hors d'oeuvres and beverages, member products and literature displays an opportunity to net-

work and exchange business cards and a raffle for door prizes. Tickets are \$10 for members, \$15 for non-members.

The Merrimack Valley Chamber of Commerce's Human Resource Association will also presents "Violence in the Workplace" next Thursday, April 20.

"Violence in the workplace can range from harassment, to a small scuffle, to a terrifying act of violence devastating your

workplace," say organizers. "Has your organization done all it can to address these issues?"

The program is reportedly designed to help businesses recognize where there might be problems, and develop strategies to deal with violence.

The presenter is Susan R. Braverman, MSW, LICSW of a principal of CMGA Staffing. Braverman's background includes developing a Trauma Intervention Protocol for

Digital Equipment Corp. that has become a nation-wide model for corporations.

The event will be April 20, from noon to 2:30 p.m., at The Mill House Restaurant, Route 110, Dracut (near the Methuen line), at a cost of \$18 for MVHRA members, \$25 for non-members.

A 48-hour cancellation notice prior to event will be needed for full refund.

Call 686-0900 by April 17.

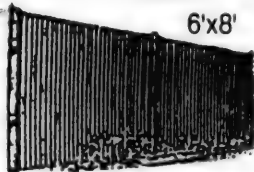
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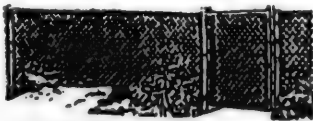


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Sports

AHS Roundup: Most teams off to winning starts

By Rick Harrison

The Andover High spring sports season is off to a rousing start for most Golden Warrior varsity teams.

Boys lacrosse is undefeated with victories in its first three games, while both the girls and boys track squads opened with a pair of lopsided dual-meet wins.

Entering yesterday's action, after Townsman presstime, girls tennis was 2-0, boys volleyball 3-1 and baseball 2-1.

Boys tennis split its first two matches and the AHS softball team dropped its lidlifter.

BASEBALL

The Andover High varsity baseball team got off to a decidedly Jekyll-and-Hyde start with each of its first three games decided by wide margins.

After failing to score a run in a 10-0 season-opening loss to powerhouse Peabody, the Golden Warriors exploded for 45 runs in the next two games which were 25-2 and 20-0 non-league blowout wins over Revere and East Boston respectively.

"We're young and the kids were really nervous in the opener against Peabody," said head coach Ken Maglio. "That's a very good team, with seven of nine starters back from last year, and they probably won't lose too many games this spring."

Andover and Peabody hooked up three times last season. The Golden Warriors won the opener at home, 10-7, Peabody took the rematch 4-2 late in the regular season, and Andover nipped the Tanners 3-2 in the Division 1 North Tournament semifinals.

"We may take our lumps this season when we face really good pitchers like (Peabody ace Anthony) Gallo," added Maglio.

Baseball Showcase

Four traditional Eastern Mass. high school baseball powers will collide in the inaugural Interscholastic Baseball Showcase this Saturday at the soon-to-be-dedicated Peter Aumais Memorial Field at Andover High and the former varsity field behind the tennis courts.

In addition to host Andover, competing teams will be Brockton, New Bedford and Chelmsford.

The format will be Big Three teams Brockton and New Bedford versus Merrimack Valley Conference teams Andover and Chelmsford. Two games will be scheduled at both 11 a.m. and 2:30 p.m.

Andover 25

Revere 2

The Golden Warriors had 18 hits from 11 players and rolled to the easy non-league triumph 24 hours after the Peabody thrashing.

Andover bolted to a 5-0 first-inning lead, and added six runs in the second with winning pitcher Jeff Volinski's three-run homer highlighting the outburst.

After scoring twice in both the third and fourth frames to make it 15-2, the locals completed the barrage with 10 runs in the fifth.

Volinski drove in four runs, with the team's first homer and a single, and he also scored three times.

Danny Hughes collected three RBI with a double and two singles, while Capt. Sean



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Jessica Bindman won two matches in third singles against Tewksbury and Methuen.

Lawton (two singles) and sophomore Chris Hanlon (single) also had three RBI each.

Leadoff batter Kevin Shepard, Jeff Marshall and Andy Bellistri all spanked two singles and scored twice, while Capt. Dave Powers slammed a double and run-scoring singles were laced by freshmen Jason White and Paul Skinner.

Andy Yurko, Chris King and Marty DeFrancisco also scored two runs apiece.

Lefthander Volinski (1-0) pitched five strong innings, yielding two hits and both Patriots' runs while fanning seven and walking three.

Junior righty Chris Caverly mopped up with two innings of one-hit shutout relief, whiffing three and walking three.

Bellistri played a strong defensive game at second base.

Peabody 10

Andover 0

The Golden Warriors were overmatched by the veteran Peabody team in the non-league season opener.

Tanners' complete-game winning pitcher Anthony Gallo was in mid-season form as he fired a two-hit shutout, fanned six, didn't issue a walk and faced only 23 AHS batters (two over the minimum).

"He (Gallo) threw first-pitch strikes to 20 of the 23 batters he faced," said coach Maglio. "Our three pitchers only gave up six hits — but we also walked 11 batters and that killed us."

The only AHS safeties were a third-inning single to center by Andy Bellistri and a fourth-inning single by Danny Hughes.

Lefthander Kevin Shepard (0-1) pitched the first 3 1/3 innings and struggled with his control (five walks).

Junior righty Mark Matos worked the next 2 2/3 innings, allowing two hits and a

pair of unearned runs, while freshman Jason White pitched the seventh.

"We had some good things happen," said Maglio. "Shepard picked off two runners, we turned two double plays and (freshman Paul) Skinner looked good behind the plate. We hit the ball well at times but right at people."

"Shep also had a little trouble getting his curve ball over, but he's our No. 1 pitcher and he's going to be fine."

The Tanners scored all the runs necessary in the top of the second when Chris Arias cleared the bases with a three-run triple off Shepard on a two-out, two-strike pitch.

BOYS LACROSSE

Senior midfielder Andy Ryan scored five goals, and set up a sixth, as the Andover High boys lacrosse team defeated Swampscott, 9-3, in its first official varsity game at the Doherty Middle School Field.

Troy Lieberman, Mike Hass and Ryan combined for 10 goals as the locals doubled up Salem, 14-7, in another East League game.

The record went to 3-0 as seven players scored in a physical 9-7 victory over league foe Marblehead at Doherty.

Schedule

The Golden Warriors travel to Medfield for a non-leaguer tomorrow (4 p.m.), and their first night game is next Monday against North Andover at the NA Middle School Field (7 p.m.).

Andover 9

Swampscott 3

The Golden Warriors jumped to a 4-0 first-quarter lead, increased the advantage to 6-0 at the half, and added their final three goals in the fourth period of the Eastern Mass. League East Division game.

Supporting sharpshooter Andy Ryan with a goal each were senior midfielder Steve Liu, sophomore attack Oliver Gregory, senior middle Chris Callison and Greg Drapeau.

Sophomore attack Troy Lieberman and Nate Stoetzel contributed an assist each, while defensive standouts were Jim Hale, Jon Maloney and Eric Martin.

The goaltending was split between sophomore Alex Gostanian, who faced just one shot in the first half, and junior Chris Cataldo who stopped six of nine Swampscott shots in the second half.

"We were lucky enough to get away with a few mistakes," said coach Wayne Puglisi. "We're always looking for that perfect game and I hope it comes by the end of the season."

"We played better team defense than we had in our pre-season scrimmages. A few of the kids are starting to figure out what lacrosse is all about and what it takes to win," added Puglisi.

Andover 14

Salem 7

Locked in a 5-5 tie at the half, Andover outscored the host Witches 9-2 over the final two quarters to win the game going away.

Troy Lieberman pumped in four goals and passed out two assists, while Andy Ryan and junior attack Mike Hass each had a hat trick and passed out one assist.

Completing the attack with a goal each were Steve Liu, senior midfielder Greg Beck, Jeff Ahern and Steve Seero, while Nate Stoet-

zel and Chris Callison each set up a goal.

Alex Gostanian stopped five of 10 shots in the first half, while Chris Cataldo played the final two periods in goal and halted eight of the 10 shots he faced.

Andover 9

Marblehead 7

The Headers led 2-0 after one quarter, Andover tied it 2-2 at the half, and the locals pulled in front for good as five players netted a goal each in the pivotal third period.

"I liked the way our scoring was spread out," said coach Puglisi. "Marblehead is a very aggressive, physical team. They knocked us around a little, but they also took a busload of penalties (15 minutes worth)."

Greg Beck and Chris Callison finished the game with two goals each while Andy Ryan, Charlie Gregory, Oliver Gregory, Mike Hass and Troy Lieberman had a goal each.

Ryan, Beck and Charlie Gregory passed out an assist apiece, while Chris Cataldo played the entire game in net and stopped 15 of 22 Marblehead shots.

Defensive standouts were juniors Jon Maloney, Jeff Ahern and Jim Hale.

SOFTBALL

The season did not get off to a pleasant start for the Andover High varsity softball team, which dropped a 9-1 decision to visiting Central Catholic at the AHS field.

Although both teams are members of the Merrimack Valley Conference this was classified as a non-league game.

The Lady Warriors, playing without injured ace pitcher Laura Stone (knee), managed only three hits and averted the shutout by scoring on a seventh-inning wild pitch.

Capt. Lisa Tisbert, Allison James and Jessie DeFrancisco had a safety each for the locals, while DeFrancisco scored the run.

Sophomore Kaitlin Haugh made her varsity pitching debut and took the loss.

Lauren Van Dyke went the route for Central, striking out 9 and walking five.

Leadoff batter Denise Surran sparked the 15-hit CCHS attack with a perfect 4-for-4 day and two runs scored.

Meghan Savage laced three singles, Jill Albano had a homer, single and four RBI and April Boettcher belted a two-run triple for the winners.

Schedule

Andover played a non-leaguer at North Reading yesterday, and has another non-league game at MVC rival Methuen tomorrow (3:30 p.m.).

GIRLS TRACK

Juniors Sheena Patel and Ogechi Ibe were multiple event winners in both season-opening dual meets as the Andover High girls track team raced to impressive Merrimack Valley Conference victories over visiting Billerica, 119-26, and Haverhill, 100-45, at the Lovely oval.

"Our girls team is as tough as iron," said head coach Peter Comeau. "We performed well from the top of the lineup on down in the first two meets. We even had some junior varsity kids score points (4x400 relay)."

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AHS Roundup: Boys track team raises eyebrows

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"I think we're successful because the fourth and fifth kids in every event are pushing for second and third places. That keeps everyone working hard."

"There's a special feeling about this team, especially since this has been the year of the girl athlete at Andover High," said Comeau.

Schedule

The Lady Warriors have a crucial MVC Division 1 meet tomorrow at Chelmsford (3:30 p.m.), and next Tuesday AHS will host the inaugural MVC Relays which have a 9:30 a.m. start during school vacation week.

Andover 119

Billerica 26

AHS placed first in 13 of the 17 events and swept the 100-meter high hurdles, 800 meters, two-mile, discus, shot put, triple jump and relays.

Sheena Patel was a double winner in the 100 hurdles (16.1) and 300-meter intermediate hurdles (48.3), while she also finished second in the long jump (15'10 1/2").

Ogechi Ibe was first in both the shot put (34'0") and discus (115'10") tosses.

The other double winner for AHS was Jenny Hsu who soared 34'11 3/4" in the triple jump and ran the 100 meters in 13.6 seconds.

Other victors on the oval were Julie Marvin (200 meters, 28.8), Stephanie Casper (400 meters, 64.3), invincible Holly Boucher (800 meters, 2:27.8), miler Emily Pfeil (5:43.2) and freshman Caitlin Geary in her first competitive two mile (13:09.7).

The victorious 4x100 sprint relay included Hsu, Capt. Megan Munroe, Jen Kane and Lindsay Ravens (54.7), while the winning 4x400 quartet consisted of Caitlin Hamer, Krissy Araujo, Ali Fortier and Julie Kwolyk (4:50.4).

Freshman Katie Cail was second in the 100 meters (13.7) and 300 hurdles (51.2), while Robin Young was runner-up in the javelin (81'9") and shot put (31'11") tosses.

"Young was leading in the javelin until the final throw," said coach Comeau. "The Billerica girl (Becky Conway) asked if she could borrow Robin's javelin for her final throw. Robin said yes and the girl won the event by throwing Robin's javelin 84 feet."

Other AHS seconds went to 100-meter hurdler Stephanie Pierce (16.8), Kane (200 meters, 29.5), Janel LaRose (400 meters, 64.3), Capt. Caity Murray (800 meters, 2:33.1), two-miler Caitlin Woo (13:20.5), Missy Raueo (discus, 66'10"), pole vaulter Emily Gentile (5'6"), Pfeil (high jump, 5'0") and triple jumper Siobhan Landry (33'8").

Completing the Andover sweeps were 100-meter hurdler Munroe (17.2), Lindsey Durkin (800 meters, 2:33.2), freshman two-miler Holly Hinds (13:32.0), Chrissy Bevalacqua (discus, 64'9"), shot putter Betsy Miller (27'2") and Pierce in the triple jump (33' 3/4").

Other thirds went to high jumpers Liz Conners and Alexis Contos (both 4'6"), freshman pole vaulters Courtney Hale and Sarah Percival (both 5'0"), miler Laura O'Connell (6:01.5), Tara Flanagan (javelin, 68'0") and freshman long jumper Carolyn Berberian (14'8 1/4").

Andover 100

Haverhill 45

Versatile heptathlete Sheena Patel placed first in three events against the Hillies, soaring 15'7 1/2" in the long jump, clocking 16.2 in the 100-meter high hurdles and 49.3 in the 300-meter intermediate hurdles.

Andover once again grabbed 13 of 17 firsts while sweeping the long jump, high jump and 100-meter hurdles.



Photo by Carol Van Doren

Katie Guston and Kaitlyn Murphy look toward the next hurdle as Andover posted victories against Billerica and Haverhill.

"I have a feeling we'll be sweeping the hurdles a lot this spring," said Comeau. "Our top three girls are very good."

Following Patel in the high hurdles for the second straight meet were Stephanie Pierce (16.6) and Megan Munroe (16.6).

Ogechi Ibe once again earned two wins as she threw the shot 33'8" and the discus 104'2."

Other individual field event winners were Robin Young (javelin, 89'5"), high jumper Liz Conners (5'0"), triple jumper Siobhan Landry (33'3 3/4") and pole vaulter Courtney Hale (6'6").

On the oval firsts went to Katie Cail (100 meters, 13.5), Holly Boucher (800 meters, 2:27.5), miler Emily Pfeil (5:44.0) and two-miler Caitlin Geary (12:36.0).

"Geary knocked almost 34 seconds off her winning two-mile time in the two meets," said Comeau. "She should be able to get down to around 12:12 later this season if she keeps improving."

Completing the other event sweeps were long jumpers Carolyn Berberian (14'9 1/2") and Jen Annese (14'6 3/4"), along with high jumpers Pfeil (4'10") and freshman Becca Fink (4'10").

Also placing second were pole vaulter Emily Gentile (6'0"), Young in the shot put (32' 1/2"), Cail in the 300 hurdles (51.7), Julie Marvin (200 meters, 28.6) and miler Caitlin Hamer (6:01).

Completing the scoring with additional thirds were Tara Flanagan (javelin, 71'5"), Stephanie Casper (400 meters, 64.1), Caity Murray (800 meters, 2:33.2) and two-miler Laura O'Connell (13:11).

BOYS TRACK

The Andover High boys track team raised a few eyebrows with its rapid start, rolling to convincing triumphs over Billerica, 101-43, and Haverhill, 95-50.

"We have some excellent athletes and we're scoring a lot of points — more than we expected," said head coach Peter Comeau. "Ross Inman and Ben Perkins have been pleasant surprises so far in the sprints. Getting the football players out has given us a big boost."

"So far we've done it without Charles Murnane who is one of the best hurdlers and high jumpers in the state," added Comeau. "He says he'll be ready for the Chelmsford meet (tomorrow). We'll see what happens."

Schedule

The Golden Warriors have an MVC Division 1 meet tomorrow at Chelmsford (3:30 p.m.), and next Tuesday AHS will host the inaugural MVC Relays which have a 9:30 a.m. start during school vacation week.

Andover 101

Billerica 43

Junior distance standout Tim Galebach made an impressive outdoor debut by placing first for the locals in both the 800 meters (2:11.0) and two-mile (10:28.5).

The Golden Warriors won 12 of the 17 events and swept the mile and high jump.

First-place finishers in the field events were Adam Spiller (discus, 119'11"), Dave Cordima (javelin, 149'9"), pole vaulter Nathan MacKenzie (9'0"), high jumper Nishant Mehta (5'6") and triple jumper Jin Choi

(34'0").

Winners on the oval included Ross Inman (100 dash, 11.4), sophomore Bruce Brown (200 meters, 23.3), miler and Capt. Greg Stamm (4:53), 300-meter intermediate hurdler Kyle Miller (43.6) and the 4x100 sprint relay of Brown, Ben Perkins, Mike Donahue and anchorman Jeremy Spiegel (45.6).

Sweeps were completed by Brian Gosselin (4:58.3) and Mike Ring (5:06.7) in the mile, and Cordima and Nathan Twarri in the high jump (both 5'4").

Inman added a second in the discus (111'8") and third in the javelin (136'6"), while Spiegel was runner-up for the locals in both the 100 dash (11.5) and long jump (18'4 1/4").

Additional seconds went to Miller in the 110-meter high hurdles (16.3), Perkins (200 meters, 23.4), Adam Granger (800 meters, 2:11.7), two-miler Brendan Ahern (10:33.9), and Spiller (shot put, 42'10").

Also contributing thirds were Alex Champion (110 hurdles, 16.6), Shahriar Ghandchi (400 meters, 55.8), shot putter Peter An (40'3") and triple jumper Hugh Zhang (32'10 1/4").

Andover 95

Haverhill 50

Hurdler Kyle Miller and jumper Brian DeAngelo chalked up a pair of wins each for the locals, who won 11 of the 17 events and swept the 100 meters, long jump and high jump.

Miller topped the field in the 110-meter high (16.5) and 300-meter intermediate (44.5) hurdles, while DeAngelo placed first in the long jump (20'5 1/4") and triple jump (39'10 1/2").

Adam Spiller contributed a first in the discus (121'0") and second in the shot out (42'7 1/2").

Other individual winners for AHS were high jumper Dave Cordima (5'6"), sprinters Ross Inman (100 meters, 11.4) and Bruce Brown (200 meters, 24.1), miler Greg Stamm (4:51) and two-miler Tim Galebach (10:13).

The 4x100 sprint relay of Brown, Ben Perkins, Mike Donahue and Jeremy Spiegel again broke the tape in 46.5.

Spiegel was a runner-up in both the long jump (18'3 3/4") and 100 meters (11.6), while Alex Champion placed second in the 110 hurdles (16.6) and 300 hurdles (44.8).

Also finishing second were sophomore pole vaulter Mike Morrissey (10'0"), Inman (discus, 109'0"), high jumper Nishant Mehta (5'6"), Perkins (200 meters, 24.2) and Shahriar Ghandchi (400 meters, 56.0).

Completing sweeps were Jason Crabb with a third in the long jump (17'11"), Champion third in the high jump (5'6") and Mike Zizzo third in the 100 meters (11.8).

Other third places went to shot putter Peter An (40'1 1/2"), Cordima (javelin, 144'1"), Jin Choi (triple jump, 33'8"), Adam Gardner (800 meters, 2:14.3) and two-miler Brendan Ahern (10:55).

BOYS TENNIS

To better prepare his team for the Division 1 North Tournament at season's end, Andover High boys tennis coach Mike Wartman scheduled several top non-league opponents this spring.

The first of these rugged foes was defending state Division 2 champion Concord-Carlisle, a member of the ultra-strong Dual County League, which spanked the locals 4-1 in the opening match for both teams.

The Golden Warriors bounced back smartly in their Merrimack Valley Conference opener, squaring the overall record while winning everything in straight sets on the way to a 5-0 whitewash of Methuen.

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AHS Roundup: Girls tennis blank Tewksbury and Methuen

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Concord-Carlisle 4

Andover 1

"Concord has all but two players back from its state title team," said coach Wartman. "This was a very good test for us."

"Both our doubles teams played well — first doubles winning and second doubles getting stronger as their match went along."

The lone AHS point came from the tandem of senior Capt. Pete Hughes and sophomore Andy Chiaraluce, who swept past C-C's Adam Raffa and Coby Zyskind 6-1, 6-3.

Second doubles, freshman Jason Lynn and senior Capt. Mike Meagher, battled hard before falling to the Patriots' Brandon Barker and Matt Lynch, 6-3, 6-4.

Andover won only one game in four sets of singles as No. 1 Evan Sideman fell to Philip Charm and No. 3 Rich Roda lost to Barrett Lawson.

No. 2 singles Gabe Adams lost by injury default to C-C's Zander Lowe after pulling a back muscle in the second game of the first set.

Andover 5

Methuen 0

Only six games were lost in singles by the visiting Golden Warriors as Evan Sideman stopped the Rangers' Matt Filteau 6-0, 6-1, Rich Roda swept past Jason Chan 6-1, 6-1 and Pete Hughes handled Kevin Riopelle 6-0, 6-3.

In doubles, Mike Meagher/Jason Lynn and Steve Hibino/James Kim both stomped their Methuen opponents by 6-0, 6-0 scores.

GIRLS TENNIS

It was business as usual for the Andover High girls tennis team, which launched its 2000 season with consecutive 5-0 Merrimack Valley Conference wins over visiting Tewksbury and Methuen.

No. 1 singles and Capt. Jill Oppenheim did not play in either match — but still the locals had no trouble.

Andover 5 Tewksbury 0

The Lady Warriors dropped only two games in singles and none in doubles as they overpowered visiting Tewksbury at the AHS courts.

Senior Amy Axelrod rolled to a 6-0, 6-1 victory over Julie Cole at No. 1 singles.

Sophomore Ashley Heller dismantled Becky Osterman 6-1, 6-0 at second singles and junior Jessica Bindman whitewashed Rachel Osterman 6-0, 6-0 at third singles.

In doubles, senior Jenna Bernstein and sophomore Carolyn Purcell at No. 1 joined senior Tricia Griffin and junior Ashley Hargadon at No. 2 in easy 6-0, 6-0 sweeps.

Andover 5 Methuen 0

The Rangers fared no better than Tewksbury, as four of the five matches ended in 6-0, 6-0 romps.

Earning 12-game sweeps were Ashley Heller and Jessica Bindman at second and third singles, along with the AHS doubles tandems of Michelle Leahy/Erin Zuena and Tricia Griffin/Ashley Hargadon.

Amy Axelrod, cruising at No. 1 singles, quickly dispatched Methuen's Suong Nguyen 6-1, 6-1.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

A come-from-behind 2-1 triumph over previously-undefeated host Lowell highlighted recent action for the Andover High boys varsity volleyball team, which also blanked Methuen, 2-0, and dropped a 2-1 decision to fired-up Lawrence.

"Every opponent plays us tough," said coach George Sullivan, "because everyone wants to beat Andover."

Andover 2 Lowell 1

Playing what coach Sullivan called its best match of the young season, AHS roared back for 15-10 and 15-13 victories after dropping the first game to Lowell, 11-15, at the Riddick Field House.

"This was a big win because Lowell has been playing very well," said Sullivan. "Our guys hit hard and blocked better. We were focused. We mixed up our hits and placed the ball well."

Leading the attack was senior middle hitter Chris Morrissey, a.k.a. "Dr. Death," as he went 22-for-25 hitting, registered 12 kills and was 12-for-12 serving.

Capt. Ryan Slavin was 26-for-34 hitting, including seven kills, and he finished 10-for-13 serving.

Brian Galluzzo contributed a perfect 13-for-13 serving, with one ace, and was 8-for-12 hitting.

Kyle McCauley went 16-for-18 hitting, chalking up four kills, and he finished 15-for-17 serving.

Kevin Hess did a fine job setting and went 14-for-15 serving, while senior outside hitter Adam Turbett played strong back-court defense and was 9-for-13 serving with one ace.

Junior Josh Brooks went 5-for-5 hitting with two kills.

The locals were undermanned for the match — juniors Mike Hamilton and Alan MacLean sidelined by the flu bug.

Andover trailed 11-8 in the third game before outscoring Lowell 7-2 down the stretch to clinch the win.

The AHS junior varsity dropped a 2-1 decision to Lowell, winning the first game handily before the Red Raiders rallied.

Andover 2 Methuen 0

The locals earned the sweep by 15-7 and 15-13 scores, battling back from an early 6-0 deficit in game two against the Rangers at the Dunn Gym.

"We almost created a monster by letting Methuen back into the match in the second game," said coach

Sullivan, citing a disturbing early-season pattern. "We've been winning first games easily and then letting down."

"We stop playing smart volleyball and have stretches where we don't use our heads."

After falling behind 6-0 in the second game AHS rattled off six straight points to tie, and the game seesawed until the Golden Warriors pulled it out at the end.

Chris Morrissey went 14-for-16 hitting, with eight kills, and added six blocks, 6-for-6 passing and 8-for-9 serving.

Brian Galluzzo was 6-for-8 hitting, with one kill, 6-for-7 passing and a perfect 12-for-12 serving.

Junior Alan MacLean was 5-for-6 serving and did a fine job passing.

Ryan Slavin, shaking off recent back problems, finished 11-for-17 hitting with four kills. The captain was also 14-for-16 in serve-receive, 6-for-8 serving and had six blocks.

Kyle McCauley was sharp with 12-for-13 hitting, 12-for-14 serving and 10-for-10 passing.

Capt. Kevin Hess did well setting and went 7-for-7 serving and 2-for-4 hitting, while junior outside hitter Andy Carter was 4-for-7 hitting.

The Andover JV's made it a clean sweep with a 2-0 win over Methuen by games scores of 15-9 and 15-7.

Lawrence 2

Andover 1

The Golden Warriors cruised to a 15-5 victory in the first game, before the host Lancers heated up and squared the match with a 15-9 triumph in game two.

The third game was a total disaster for the locals who were never in contention and lost, 15-1.

"We played and passed the ball well in the opening game," said coach Sullivan. "But Lawrence, which has some excellent athletes, woke up in the second and third games."

"Their gym was packed and the crowd really went nuts the last two games."

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Pony League sign-up set for April 26

The Andover Pony League baseball teams will hold a sign-up and registration at the West Middle School Gym on Wednesday, April 26 from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Tryouts for the 14-15 year old and 13-year-old travel teams, both members of the Sonny Robbins Suburban Pony League, will be held Saturday and Sunday, April 29 and 30, at the West Middle School baseball field.

Exact times for the tryouts will be announced at the registration.

To be eligible for the 13-year-old team youngsters may not turn 14 before Aug. 1, 2000.

To be eligible for the 14-15 year old team, youngsters may not turn 16 before Aug. 1, 2000.

Other towns represented in the league are North Andover, Haverhill, North Reading, Wilmington, Lowell, Reading, Woburn, Winchester, Everett, Stoneham and Londonderry, N.H.

The Andover teams will play an 18- to 20-game regular season schedule from early June to late July. Playoffs will follow.

All Andover home games are played at West Middle School.

For further information call Joe Iarrobino at 474-0523.

Roundup: Boys volleyball come from behind

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"We fell behind 5-0 at the start of the second game. Lawrence got on a roll and we went south," added Sullivan. "We were running a 5-1 alignment and it fell apart."

Brian Galluzzo played a strong defensive match and also went 10-for-15 hitting, 8-for-9 serving and 8-for-8 passing.

Middle hitters Chris Morrissey and Ryan Slavin struck the ball well in the opening game. Morrissey finished the match 9-for-13 hitting (one kill) and 9-for-11 serving.

Slavin, who injured his back during the match, still managed 16-for-21 hitting (two kills) and 6-for-8 serving.

Kyle McCauley contributed 15-for-17 hitting, 18-for-20 passing and 9-for-9 serving.

Alan MacLean was 8-for-8 serving and played strong back-row defense, while Josh Brooks went 6-for-8 hitting and Kevin Hess was 6-for-7 serving.

The AHS junior varsity, following the same pattern as the varsity, won the first game before losing the last two as Lawrence earned a 2-1 victory.

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AHS assistant hockey coach to be inducted into coaches hall of fame

By Rick Harrison

Andover High assistant hockey coach Ralph Quaglietta will be inducted into the Massachusetts State Hockey Coaches Association Hall of Fame on Thursday, April 27 at a banquet at Montvale Plaza in Woburn.

Quaglietta, a graduate of Lawrence High who lives in Salem, N.H., has been coaching high school hockey for 17 years.

After one season at Greater Lawrence Tech, Quaglietta has spent the past 16 years

as a varsity assistant/junior varsity coach at Andover.

The past 10 years he has been with current AHS head coach Bill Cullen, while the first six years were spent as assistant to former Golden Warrior head men Charlie Donovan and Mike Murnane.

Quaglietta works in Lawrence as head of maintenance for all of the city-owned motor vehicles.

His son, Sean, is a graduate of Salem State College and currently works as a police officer in Lawrence.

The Andover High hockey teams recently held their season-ending awards banquet at the Ramada Rolling Green.

Five major awards were presented to varsity players by head coach Bill Cullen.

Tim LeGrow was named team Most Valuable Player, Andy Ryan Most Improved Player, goaltender Chris Salini received the Courage Award, Mike Anderson the Coaches Award and Brad Dunn the Andover Award.

The Andover Award goes to the player who best epitomizes the characteristics of the ideal AHS player in terms of hard work, commitment and leadership.

Anderson earned his award after overcoming several health obstacles this past season including a separated shoulder and a bout with mononucleosis.

The players also voted Jon Ofria and Brendan Gleason team captains for the 2000-2001 season. Mike Anderson was voted assistant captain.

Crocker has winning dives

Williams College freshman Caroline Crocker won the three meter diving competition at the New England Intercollegiate Swimming and Diving Championships held recently at Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine.

Crocker, a former one meter diving champion with the Andover High girls swim team, posted a score of 459.20 points on the way to first place at Bowdoin.

Crocker also finished third off the one meter board to help Williams clinch its unprecedented 13th consecutive New England team title with 1,609 points. Amherst was a distant runner-up with 1,173.

Crocker continued her string of



Caroline Crocker

impressive performances two weeks later at the NCAA Division 3 Championships at Emory University in Atlanta, Ga.

She finished seventh in the country in the three meter diving event with a 411.15 score which earned her All-American honors.

Crocker added a 10th place off the one meter board which carried with it second-

team All-American laurels in that event.

A four-time Merrimack Valley Conference diving champion for coaches Marilyn Fitzgerald and Mary Wermers-Schissel at Andover High, Crocker was the Massachusetts state runner-up her senior year and holds several AHS records.

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The four Andover boys pictured helped the Valley Junior Warriors Mite Gold team finish the 1999-2000 youth hockey regular season undefeated. The team also won the playoffs to emerge as Tier 1 Massachusetts state champion. From left: George Flanagan, Riki Retelle, Matt Perry and Eddie Dix.

Youngsters participate in gymnastics meet

Andy O'Connell, an 11-year-old fifth grader at Sanborn Elementary School, recently did Andover proud by placing in the top 10 at both Massachusetts state and New England regional gymnastics meets.

Competing at Level 6, in the boys 10-11 age division, Andy scored a 49.70 and finished 10th in the all-around competition at the Massachusetts State Gymnastics Championships held recently in Sterling, Ma.

The first-year gymnast received four medals at the meet by placing in vault, rings, parallel bars and high bar.

O'Connell's effort qualified him to represent the Bay State at the Regional Championships held last Sunday at UMass Amherst.

There O'Connell competed against 40 of the best gymnasts in Region 6 which includes all six New England states.

Once again he medaled in four events while posting a 51.50 all-around score for sixth place in New England.

His regional scores were 9.2 on parallel bars (4th place), 8.9 in vault, 8.7 on rings (4th place), 8.4 in floor exercise, 8.3 on pommel horse (3rd place) and 8.0 on high bar.

This is the first year of competition for O'Connell who is coached by Duncan Gould of Interstate Gymnastics in Methuen.



Andy O'Connell



Joshua Torres

SPORTSTALK

By Rick Harrison

This column, compiled from information supplied by the colleges or by friends and relatives of the student-athletes, youth standouts and coaches involved, is published periodically in the Townsman. Information may be mailed to the office at 33 Chestnut St., Andover, MA. 01810 or fax it to 978-470-2819.

Robert Mazza of Andover, a junior catcher on the Cushing Academy of Ashburnham baseball team, contributed to the success of the team's Arizona trip.

zona trip.

Mazza batted .465 with four doubles and five RBI in wins over prep school teams from Oregon, Oklahoma, New York and Alaska.

He also gunned down seven runners trying to steal second base.

Mark O'Sullivan and Ryan Hanigan of Andover are both playing well for the Rollins College baseball team in Winter Park, Fla.

O'Sullivan, a junior pitcher/outfielder for the NCAA Division 2 Tars, had 19 hits, nine RBI and

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was batting .302 after seeing action in 21 of the team's first 36 games.

Hanigan, a freshman catcher/infielder, had 14 hits, five RBI and was batting .424 while playing in 15 games.

Rollins, whose head coach is former Andover resident Bob Rikeman, was 20-16 after 36 games including 3-3 in the Sunshine State Conference.

The Tars finished second to Penn State in the 53rd annual Baseball Week hosted by Rollins. The team, which had a seven-game win streak snapped by the University of Tampa, has racked up victories over Division 1 schools Pennsylvania, Cornell, Long Island, Toledo and Eastern Michigan.

Melissa Donais, a senior at Phillips Academy, has been selected to the All-Stater Sports magazine 1999 Regional Dream Team in girls cross country.

Thirty girls, split into six teams of five girls each, were chosen in the Northeast Region repre-

sented by the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Rhode Island, New York and Pennsylvania.

The teams were selected by Mike Kennedy, women's high school outdoor editor of *Track and Field News*.

Steve Vickers of Andover, a sophomore first baseman on the Bentley College baseball team, slammed a pair of home runs in a recent 10-5 Northeast-10 Conference loss to Assumption.

Vickers' dingers, his third and fourth of the year, came in the sixth inning and to lead off the ninth.

Vickers also cranked a two-run homer against Bryant in a 6-5 loss earlier this spring, and had two hits in another setback to the same Bryant team.

Courtney Famiglietti of Andover, a freshman on the Bentley College softball team, continued her fine play recently by singling and scoring the winning run as the Falcons edged Bridgeport 3-1 in the

opening game of a non-conference doubleheader.

She added two hits and two RBI as Bentley completed the sweep with a 7-5 victory in the nightcap.

Famiglietti had an RBI single in a 4-2 loss to Le Moyne College, and laced two hits in an 11-5 loss to Pace University.

Famiglietti entered the week with a .352 batting average.

Brooks School sophomore hockey player William Waters of Andover recently received the William S. Barr Award in recognition of his spirit and love of the game.

A three-sport athlete, Walters also plays soccer and baseball at the North Andover prep school.

Mike Shannon of Andover was recently awarded a varsity wrestling letter at Belmont Hill School. The presentation was made by athletic director Kenneth Martin at the annual winter assembly.

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Officials say they've learned from AHS troubles

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sit at the intersection of Cross Street and High Plain Road, and include playground space and playing fields.

As part of its presentation, performed in meetings with the public and PTO groups more than 70 times, the School Building Committee says it took several steps to avoid mistakes made during the High School job. The High School project ran millions of dollars over budget and years behind schedule, and led to lawsuits.

School Committee member Tina Girdwood says she hopes voters will also acknowledge building projects in town that have been successful.

"Sanborn and South (elementary schools) were complicated renovation projects with kids and teachers in the building, and we managed to do those pretty well," she says.

To avoid past mistakes, says School Building Committee Chairman Mark Johnson, the project will be run by a clerk of the works and the town's construction project manager, both of whom would report directly to Plant and Facilities Manager Joe Piantedosi.

During the High School project, the clerk of the works reported to project manager, who as a consultant hired by the town.

For this project, the Project Manager would be Phil Tuminelli, who also works for the town on the pending safety center and senior center projects.

The clerk of the works has not yet been hired.

This project also includes an environmental site analysis, and an independent peer review of the architects' plans and specifications.

Architects Symmes, Maini & McKee



Architect's renderings



Bird's-eye and student's-eye views — A curving entrance road will lead buses and cars back to the school near Cross Street and High Plain Road. If Article 9 is approved, many elementary- and middle-school students will become accustomed to a side view that looks like the one pictured at right.

of Cambridge (see *Townsmen* story July 1, 1999) designed the project, which was reviewed by two other independent architects.

Approval at Town Meeting 2000 would authorize the town to go forward with the project, but the \$31,938,000 cost would not be appropriated unless voters also approve Question 2 on the debt exclusion vote May 23 (see story, page one), which also includes a request for funds for a public safety center (Question 1) and sidewalks near the new schools (Question 3).

Design and engineering costs for the new schools project was approved by a past annual Town Meeting at \$2.5 million, Johnson says.

The new schools project would increase residential property taxes at various levels, with rates peaking in FY 2005, and then going down again,

Johnson says.

A homeowner with a home valued at \$300,000 with a tax bill of \$4,395 would see a \$12 increase in FY 2001; an \$80 increase in FY 2002, a \$167 increase in 2005; and a \$116 increase in 2007.

To construct the schools, voters must pass articles 9, 11 and 12 at Town Meeting 2000, and the debt exclusion Question 2 in May.

Article 11 would allow AVIS (Andover Village Improvement Society) to swap a portion of land at the new site with a portion of land near the High School.

The town needs a portion of AVIS land at Cross Street and High Plain Road to run a sewer line to the new schools.

Article 12 confirms the original eminent-domain taking of the land on which the new schools would be built,

Johnson says.

Article 13, a \$3.4 million request to connect neighbors of the new school into the main sewer line for the school, does not need to be approved in order for schools to be built, Johnson says (see sidebar).

Article 10, at \$600,000, which extends sidewalks off the school site (see story, page 1), is also not necessary to construct the schools, but is endorsed by the School Building Committee, Johnson says.

The project is designed to relieve overcrowding in Andover's elementary and middle schools.

School Building Committee charts show Andover schools above maximum capacity since 1997. If no new schools were built, elementary and middle schools would be nearly 500 students over capacity by 2002.

Senior tax credit

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Andover homeowners will be eligible for the refund if they are at least 65 and their total property taxes and half of their water and sewer charges exceed 10 percent of their income. They must also make no more than \$40,000 per year for singles filers, \$50,000 for heads of household or \$60,000 for joint filers.

Seniors with homes valued at more than \$400,000 also would not be eligible for the tax break.

"I was pleased that low-income wasn't just described as \$20,000 and below," says Tucker. "I guess we're talking about (both) middle-class and low-income seniors."

Tucker says the state approved the tax credit within last year's budget because so many Massachusetts seniors were getting hammered by Proposition 2½ override votes.

"The central focus was the recognition that the property tax has become the most burdensome tax to low-income seniors," she says.

In recent years, seniors concern about their income, "manifested in these fights over the school votes because they really can't afford to pay more," says Tucker. "It's not a question of them not wanting to help the kids and help the community, but they feel they are really strapped."

Tucker carefully notes residents should not call town offices about the tax break, as it is a state-funded credit.

It will begin in the 2001 tax year at \$375, and increase to \$750 for 2002. Eligibility and payouts will be adjusted each year to keep pace with inflation.

Tucker's office reports that about 130,000 seniors state-wide will benefit from the tax break, but the senator says she does not have estimates for how many Andover seniors can benefit from the circuit breaker.

The state program will not affect town tax exemptions such as the \$500 per year senior voucher program.

Related schools articles

Sewers, land swaps part of deal

A sewer line slated to serve the two proposed schools at Cross Street and High Plain Road could serve residents of the surrounding West Andover neighborhood as well, if Town Meeting approves Article 13.

If voters approve the new schools project, Article 9, and the necessary land-related articles 11 and 12, they can then let neighbors use the sewer line by approving Article 13.

According to Jack Petkus, public works director, one-third of the \$3.4 million project would be paid for from the "sewer users fund," collected from current sewer users town-wide. The remaining two-thirds of the cost would be paid for by residents who are eligible to connect to the new line, Petkus says.

Residents on the following streets would be eligible to con-

nect to the sewer: Launching Road, Mercury Circle, Apollo Circle, Gemini Circle, Forest Hill Drive, Aspen Circle, Bittersweet Lane, Wintergreen Circle, Deerbury Circle, Briewood Circle, Sandalwood Lane, Pepperidge Circle, Alpine Drive, Sugarbush Lane, Brady Loop, Monahan Lane, Cross Street, High Plain Road and Mulberry Circle.

The \$31.9 million schools project (Article 9) includes \$3 million to build a sewer main for the schools.

In order to run a sewer line on the best path to the schools, the town plans to run the new pipe through a portion of land now owned by AVIS.

Meanwhile, a portion of land near Indian Ridge that runs along Andover High School property has been maintained by AVIS, but is officially owned by the town.

To clear up both matters, officials designed Article 11, which would allow the town and AVIS to swap land. The town would donate its portion of Indian Ridge to AVIS, while AVIS would give the town a "pedestrian easement" to the property near the site for proposed new schools, allowing the town to run a sewer line there.

Article 12 would confirm the town's taking of the land where the schools would be built.

The parcel was taken by the town Feb. 27, 1985. While the taking was official, according to Mark Johnson, chairman of the School Building Committee, some records are missing.

Approval of Article 11 would close the gaps left by missing documents, Johnson says.

—Rebecca Lipchitz

AHS SCORING SUMMARIES

BASEBALL

PEABODY 10, ANDOVER 0 at Peter Aumais Park

Peabody — Spatafora ss 4-0-1, Lamonica cf 4-1-1, Kimmel lf 4-2-0, Greer c 1-3-1, Gallo p 3-1-0, Shorey rf 3-2-2, Stenziani 1b 1-1-0, Arias 3b 4-0-1, Manni 2b 1-0-0. **Totals:** 25-10-6.

Andover — Kevin Shepard p 2-0-0, Mark Matos p 1-0-0, Jason White p 0-0-0, Jeff Marshall lf 3-0-0, Danny Hughes cf 3-0-1, Sean Lawton 3b 3-0-0, Jeff Volinski rf 3-0-0, Marty DeFrancisco dh 2-0-0, Dave Powers 1b 2-0-0, Andy Bellistri 2b 2-0-1, Chris Hanlon ss 2-0-0, Paul Skinner c 0-0-0, Chris Krey c 0-0-0. **Totals:** 23-0-2.

Peabody 030 320 2 — 10
Andover 000 000 0 — 0
2B: Greer, Spatafora. 3B: Arias. SB: Hughes. WP: Anthony Gallo (1-0) 7ip 2h 0r 0er 0bb 6k. LP: Kevin Shepard (0-1) 3.1ip 3h 6r 6er 5bb 4k. **Relief:** Mark Matos 2.2ip 2h 2r 0er 2bb 0k; Jason White 1ip 1h 2r 2er 4bb 0k.

ANDOVER 25, REVERE 2 at Peter Aumais Park

Revere — Vesce cf 3-0-0, Noseworthy ss 4-0-0, Silvestri 3b 2-0-0, Schepici p 0-1-0, Pisi p 2-0-0, Ostler dh 3-1-0, Ferrante 2b 3-0-1, DeMarco lf 2-0-0, Marino 1b 2-0-1, DeChristopher ph 1-0-0, Melchione c 1-0-1, Rubacindo rf 0-0-0. **Totals:** 23-2-3.

Andover — Kevin Shepard rf 4-2-2, Andy Yurko rf 1-2-0, Jeff Marshall lf 3-2-2, Chris King lf 0-2-0, Danny Hughes cf 4-2-3, Sean Lawton 3b 5-2-2, Jeff Volinski p 3-3-2, Chris Caverly p 2-1-1, Marty DeFrancisco dh 2-2-0, Rich Sheldon dh 1-1-0, Dave Powers 1b 3-1-1, Jason White 1b 2-1-1, Andy Bellistri 2b 4-2-2, Chris Hanlon ss 2-1-1, Paul Skinner c 1-1-1, Chris Krey c 0-0-0. **Totals:** 37-25-18.

Revere 020 000 0 — 2
Andover 562 2(10)0x — 25
RBI: A, Volinski 4, Hughes 3, Lawton 3, Hanlon 3, Sheldon 1, White 1, Bellistri 1, Skinner 1. 2B: Powers. 3B: Hughes. HR: Volinski (1). WP: Jeff Volinski (1-0) 5ip 2h 2r 2er 3bb 7k. **Relief:** Chris Caverly 2ip 1h 0r 0er 3bb 3k.

SOFTBALL

CENTRAL CATHOLIC 9, ANDOVER 1 at Andover High

Central Catholic — Denise Surran c 4-2-4, Meghan Savage 2b 5-0-3, Heather Angell cf 4-1-2, Jill Anzaldi rf 3-2-2, Kristen Savastano lf 3-0-0, Jill Albano 1b 4-2-2, Lauren Van Dyke p 4-1-1, April Boettcher ss 4-1-1, Amy Grant 3b 4-0-0. **Totals:** 35-9-15.

Andover — Taylor Traub 2b 3-0-0, Jen Roberge c 3-0-0, Lisa Tisbert ss 4-0-1, Amanda Camello 1b 3-0-0, Kerri Axelrod cf 1-0-0, Shannon Sciola dh 2-0-0, Allison James rf 3-0-1, Jessie DeFrancisco lf 1-1-1, Andrea Manners 3b 2-0-0. **Totals:** 22-1-3.

Central Catholic 400 010 4 — 9
Andover 000 000 1 — 1
RBI: CC, Albano 4, Boettcher 2, Surran 1, Anzaldi 1. 3B: Boettcher. HR: Albano. WP: Lauren Van Dyke (1-0) 7ip 3h 1r 0er 5bb 9k. LP: Kaitlin Haugh (0-1) 7ip 15h 9r 8er 0bb 1k.

BOYS TENNIS

CONCORD-CARLISLE 4, ANDOVER 1 at Concord

Singles
Philip Charm (CC) def. Evan Sideman, 6-0, 6-0
Zander Lowe (CC) def. Gabe Adams, injury default (Adams pulled back muscle in second game of first set)
Barrett Lawson (CC) def. Rich Roda, 6-1, 6-0

Doubles
Pete Hughes & Andy Chiaraluce (A) def. Adam Raffa & Coby Zyskind, 6-1, 6-3
Brandon Barker & Matt Lynch (CC) def. Mike Meagher & Jason Lynn, 6-3, 6-4

ANDOVER 5, METHUEN 0 at Methuen

Singles
Evan Sideman (A) def. Matt Filteau, 6-0, 6-1
Rich Roda (A) def. Jason Chan, 6-1, 6-1
Pete Hughes (A) def. Kevin Riopelle, 6-0, 6-3

Doubles
Mike Meagher & Jason Lynn (A) def. Greg Apparetti & Hiram Patel, 6-0, 6-0
Steve Hibino & James Kim (A) def. Craig DeFrancesco & Mehul Patel, 6-0, 6-0

GIRLS TENNIS

ANDOVER 5, TEWKSBURY 0 at Andover High

Singles
Amy Axelrod (A) def. Julie Cole, 6-0, 6-1
Ashley Heller (A) def. Becky Osterman, 6-1, 6-0
Jessica Bindman (A) def. Rachel Osterman, 6-0, 6-0

Doubles
Jenna Bernstein & Carolyn Purcell (A) def. Wendy Minton & Emily Angelo, 6-0, 6-0
Tricia Griffin & Ashley Hargadon (A) def. Karen Lazzaro & Erin Whelan,

6-0, 6-0

ANDOVER 5, METHUEN 0 at Andover High

Singles
Amy Axelrod (A) def. Suong Bguyen, 6-1, 6-1
Ashley Heller (A) def. Andrea Benson, 6-0, 6-0
Jessica Bindman (A) def. Natalie Liponi, 6-0, 6-0

Doubles
Michelle Leahy & Erin Zuena (A) def. Christine Iannalfo & Julie Butler, 6-0, 6-0
Tricia Griffin & Ashley Hargadon (A) def. Bonnie Walsh & Meghan McLean, 6-0, 6-0

BOYS LACROSEE

ANDOVER 9, SWAMPSCOTT 3 at Doherty Middle School

Swampscot	10	0	2	1	—	3
Andover	4	2	0	3	—	9

Andover Scoring
Goals: Andy Ryan 5, Steve Liu 1, Oliver Gregory 1, Greg Drapeau 1, Chris Callison 1. **Assists:** Ryan 1, Troy Lieberman 1, Nate Stoetzel 1. **Goalkeepers:** A, Alex Gostanian (1st half, 1 shot, 1 save); Chris Cataldo (2nd half, 9 shots, 6 saves).

ANDOVER 14, SALEM (Ma.) 7 at Salem High

Andover	4	1	5	4	—	14
Salem	2	3	2	0	—	7

Andover Scoring
Goals: Troy Lieberman 4, Andy Ryan 3, Mike Hass 3, Steve Liu 1, Greg Beck 1, Jeff Ahern 1, Steve Seero 1. **Assists:** Lieberman 2, Nate Stoetzel 1, Chris Callison 1, Ryan 1, Hass 1. **Goalkeepers:** A, Alex Gostanian (1st half, 10 shots, 5 saves); Chris Cataldo (2nd half, 10 shots, 8 saves).

ANDOVER 9, MARBLEHEAD 7 at Doherty Middle School

Marblehead	2	0	1	4	—	7
Andover	0	2	5	2	—	9

Andover Scoring
Goals: Greg Beck 2, Chris Callison 2, Andy Ryan 1, Mike Hass 1, Charlie Gregory 1, Oliver Gregory 1, Troy Lieberman 1. **Assists:** Ryan 1, Beck 1, Charlie Gregory 1. **Goalkeeper:** A, Chris Cataldo (22 shots, 15 saves). **Record:** Andover 3-0.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

LAWRENCE 2, ANDOVER 1 at Lawrence High

Andover	15	9	1
Lawrence	5	15	15

Individual Statistics
Hitting: A, Ryan Slavin 16-for-21; Kyle McCauley 15-for-17; Brian Galluzzo 10-for-15; Chris Morrissey 9-for-13; Josh Brooks 6-for-8. **Kills:** A, Slavin 2, Morrissey 1. **Serving:** A, McCauley 9-for-9; Alan MacLean 8-for-8; Galluzzo 8-for-9; Morrissey 8-for-9; Hess 6-for-7; Slavin 6-for-8. **Passing:** A, McCauley 18-for-20; Galluzzo 8-for-8. **JV Score:** Lawrence 2, Andover 1.

ANDOVER 2, METHUEN 0 at Dunn Gym

Methuen	7	13
Andover	15	15

Individual Statistics
Hitting: A, Chris Morrissey 14-for-16; Kyle McCauley 12-for-13; Ryan Slavin 11-for-17; Brian Galluzzo 6-for-8; Andy Carter 4-for-7; Kevin Hess 2-for-4. **Kills:** A, Morrissey 8, Slavin 4, Galluzzo 1. **Serving:** A, Galluzzo 12-for-12; McCauley 12-for-14; Morrissey 8-for-9; Hess 6-for-7; Slavin 6-for-8; Alan MacLean 5-for-6. **Serve-Receive:** A, Slavin 14-for-16. **Passing:** A, McCauley 10-for-10; Morrissey 6-for-6; Galluzzo 6-for-7. **Block Solos:** A, Morrissey 6, Slavin 6. **JV Score:** Andover 2, Methuen 0.

ANDOVER 2, LOWELL 1 at Riddick Field House, Lowell

Andover	11	15	15
Lowell	15	10	13

Individual Statistics
Hitting: A, Ryan Slavin 26-for-34; Chris Morrissey 22-for-25; Kyle McCauley 16-for-18; Brian Galluzzo 8-for-12; Josh Brooks 5-for-5. **Kills:** A, Morrissey 12, Slavin 7, McCauley 4, Brooks 2. **Serving:** A, Galluzzo 13-for-13; Morrissey 12-for-12; McCauley 15-for-17; Kevin Hess 14-for-15; Slavin 10-for-13; Adam Turbett 9-for-13. **Service Aces:** A, Galluzzo 1, Turbett 1. **JV Score:** Lowell 2, Andover 1.

GIRLS TRACK

ANDOVER 119, BILLERICA 26 at Lovely Field (Andover Placers)

HIGH JUMP: 2. Emily Pfeil 5'0"; 3. (tie) Liz Connors & Alexis Contos 4'6"
LONG JUMP: 1. Sheena Patel 15'10 1/2"; 3. Carolyn Berberian 14'8

1/4"

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Jenny Hsu 34'11 3/4"; 2. Siobhan Landry 33'8"; 3. Stephanie Pierce 33' 3/4"
POLE VAULT: 2. Emily Gentile 5'6"; 3. (tie) Courtney Hale & Sarah Percival 5'0"

DISCUS: 1. Ogechi Ibe 115'10"; 2. Missy Rauseo 66'10"; 3. Chrissy Bevalqua 64'9"

JAVELIN: 2. Robin Young 81'9"; 3. Tara Flanagan 68'0"

SHOT PUT: 1. Ibe 34'0"; 2. Young 31'11"; 3. Betsy Miller 27'2"

100-METER HURDLES: 1. Sheena Patel 16.1; 2. Pierce 16.8; 3. Meghan Munroe 17.2.

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel 48.3; 2. Katie Cail 51.2.

100 METERS: 1. Hsu 13.6; 2. Cail 13.7.

200 METERS: 1. Julie Marvin 28.8; 2. Jen Kane 29.5.

400 METERS: 1. Stephanie Casper 64.3; 2. Janelle LaRose 64.7.

800 METERS: 1. Holly Boucher 2:27.8; 2. Caitly Murray 2:33.1; 3. Lindsey Durkin 2:33.2.

MILE: 1. Pfeil 5:43.2; 3. Laura O'Connell 6:01.5.

2-MILE: 1. Caitlin Geary 13:09.7; 2. Caitlin Woo 13:20.5; 3. Holly Hinds 13:32.0.

4x100 RELAY: 1. Hsu, Munroe, Kane & Lindsay Ravens, 54.7.

4x400 RELAY: 1. Caitlin Hamer, Krissy Araujo, Ali Fortier & Julie Kwolyk, 4:50.4.

ANDOVER 100, HAVERHILL 45 at Lovely Field (Andover Placers)

HIGH JUMP: 1. Liz Connors 5'0"; 2. Emily Pfeil 4'10"; 3. Becca Fink 4'10"

LONG JUMP: 1. Sheena Patel 15'7 1/2"; 2. Carolyn Berberian 14'9 1/2"; 3. Jen Annese 14'6 3/4"

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Siobhan Landry 33'33/4"; 2. Stephanie Pierce 32'8 3/4"

POLE VAULT: 1. Courtney Hale 6'6"; 2. Emily Gentile 6'0"

DISCUS: 1. Ogechi Ibe 104'2"

JAVELIN: 1. Robin Young 89'5"; 3. Tara Flanagan 71'5"

SHOT PUT: 1. Ibe 33'8"; 2. Young 32' 1/2"

100-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel 16.2; 2. Pierce 16.6; 3. Meghan Munroe 16.6.

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Patel 49.3; 2. Katie Cail 51.7.

100 METERS: 1. Cail 13.5.

200 METERS: 2. Julie Marvin 28.6.

400 METERS: 3. Stephanie Casper 64.1.

800 METERS: 1. Holly Boucher 2:27.5; 3. Caitly Murray 2:33.2.

MILE: 1. Pfeil 5:44.0; 2. Caitlin Hamer 6:01.0.

2-MILE: 1. Caitlin Geary 12:36.0; 3. Laura O'Connell 13:11.0.

Record: Andover 2-0.

BOYS TRACK

ANDOVER 101, BILLERICA 43 at Lovely Field (Andover Placers)

HIGH JUMP: 1. Nishant Mehta 5'6"; 2. Dave Cordima 5'4"; 3. Nathan Twarr 5'4"

LONG JUMP: 2. Jeremy Spiegel 18'4 1/4"

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. Jin Choi 34'0"; 3. Hugh Zhang 32'10 1/4"

POLE VAULT: 1. Nathan MacKenzie 9'0"; 2. Mike Morrissey 8'6"

DISCUS: 1. Adam Spiller 119'11"; 2. Ross Inman 111'8"

JAVELIN: 1. Cordima 149'9"; 3. Inman 136'6"

SHOT PUT: 2. Spiller 42'10"; 3. Peter An 40'3"

110-METER HURDLES: 2. Kyle Miller 16.3; 3. Alex Champion 16.6.

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Miller 43.6.

100 METERS: 1. Inman 11.4; 2. Spiegel 11.5.

200 METERS: 1. Bruce Brown 23.3; 2. Ben Perkins 23.4.

400 METERS: 3. Shahriar Ghandchi 55.8.

800 METERS: 1. Tim Galebach 2:11.0; 2. Adam Gardner 2:11.7.

MILE: 1. Greg Stamm 4:53.0; 2. Brian Gosselin 4:58.3; 3. Mike Ring 5:06.7.

2-MILE: 1. Galebach 10:28.5; 2. Brendan Ahern 10:33.9

4x100 RELAY: 1. Brown, Perkins, Mike Donahue & Spiegel, 45.6.

ANDOVER 95, HAVERHILL 50 at Lovely Field (Andover Placers)

HIGH JUMP: 1. Dave Cordima 5'6"; 2. Nishant Mehta 5'6"; 3. Alex Champion 5'6"

LONG JUMP: 1. Brian DeAngelo 20'5 1/4"; 2. Jeremy Spiegel 18'3 3/4"; 3. Jason Crabb 17'11"

TRIPLE JUMP: 1. DeAngelo 39'10 1/2"; 3. Jin Choi 33'8"

POLE VAULT: 2. Mike Morrissey 10'0"

DISCUS: 1. Adam Spiller 121'0"; 2. Ross Inman 109'0"

JAVELIN: 3. Cordima 144'1"

SHOT PUT: 2. Spiller 42'7 1/2"; 3. Peter An 40'1 1/2"

110-METER HURDLES: 1. Kyle Miller 16.5; 2. Champion 16.6.

300-METER HURDLES: 1. Miller 44.5; 2. Champion 44.8.

100 METERS: 1. Inman 11.4; 2. Spiegel 11.6; 3. Mike Zizzo 11.8.

200 METERS: 1. Bruce Brown 24.1; 2. Ben Perkins 24.2.

400 METERS: 2. Shahriar Ghandchi 56.0.

800 METERS: 3. Adam Gardner 2:14.3.

MILE: 1. Greg Stamm 4:51.0.

2-MILE: 1. Tim Galebach 10:13; 3. Brendan Ahern 10:55.

4x100 RELAY: 1. Brown, Perkins, Mike Donahue & Spiegel, 46.5.

Record: Andover 2-0.

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Marathon runners with a goal

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support to the other.

"She's a great spirited kid," says Lynch, of Marci. The two will get together on Sunday at the Dana-Farber-sponsored Pasta Party, a traditional, festive meal for runners to fuel up for the next day's race.

Shooting past the minimum contribution of \$1,500, Lynch is close to reaching her expected goal of \$4,500. All of those proceeds will benefit the Dana-Farber Institute for cancer research and treatment. "It's a very well-known, well-established institution that has proven itself (by) coming up with ideas for cancer treatment," she says.

This is not the first year Lynch has run the Boston Marathon. Last year, she took part in the April race in honor of her father, who had died of lung cancer in July 1998. Although she's not a runner by nature, she trained for and finished the race.

"It was a wonderful experience," Lynch says of last spring's marathon.

Like all runners, Lynch has followed a strict regimen of exercise over the weeks and months preceding this event: she runs five to six days a week, averaging 35 to 45 miles a week. Lynch trains with the Merrimack Valley Striders, a club organized to encourage and enhance running at all levels, and is coached by Fernando Braz.

"I'm so blessed to be able to train for this (marathon)," says Lynch. And she says she's especially lucky to be blessed with the gift of health, which so many people do not have.

Not only as a physician's assistant, but also as a daughter who saw her father die of cancer, Lynch knows how quickly cancer can kill. "I'd like to see a day where people have a chance," she says. "It (cancer) knows no age boundaries."

It was only a matter of weeks from her father's first signs of illness until his death from an aggressive tumor, she says.

How to contribute

To contribute to the Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge, send checks made out to DFMC to the Dana-Farber Marathon Challenge, 44 Binney Street, LG 100, Boston, MA 02115. For more information, call (781) 259-8881.

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On Monday, Mike Kelly, Steve James, Bonnie Spurr and Evan Teplow, four of Andover's runners, will be running the Boston Marathon for the Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center.

One very special person in Lynch's life will be waiting at the finish line this year — her mom, who has also undergone cancer treatment.

Trust and teamwork

On Marathon Day, four of Andover's runners will be championing the cause of the Thompson Island Outward Bound Education Center.

Mike Kelly, Steve James, Bonnie Spurr and Evan Teplow will join 21 other runners in raising more than \$100,000 in donations for the cause. "Its purpose is really to enrich Boston-area youth in an outdoor program," says James, captain of the fundraising troupe. "Its purpose is to help the kids push their own limits."

The Outward Bound center, located in the Boston Harbor Islands National Park Area just one mile from downtown Boston, offers outdoor adventure-based programs, focusing on education and social development for inner-city youth.

"The program really creates trust and teamwork," says James. "There's a support system. It's less about the outdoors and more about applying it to everyday life."

The year-round program includes a middle school, The Willauer School, on the island, attended by boys in grades 6-8. The school is funded by tuition and through scholarship funding, and aims to teach academics in a challenging, hands-on environment.

James says the Boston Marathon ties in perfectly with the organization. "The marathon is really pushing our limits, and maybe we can encourage them, if they want to run to get out there and run, to get moving," he says.

This is the seventh marathon for James, his second in Boston. Last year, he joined a team of 12 runners in raising \$53,000 for Outward Bound. This year, the goal has doubled. "Our goal was to spread the word," he says. "We tried to think of new ways to get more people involved, and it was a great experience. We had been out to the island a

couple of times, and we were really able to come together as a group.

"When you tell people you are running for a charity, you have an impact," he said. "You're doing it for yourself and you're doing it to help. You just touch so many people when you are charitable."

Andover resident Timothy Blouin will take on the Boston Marathon donning his red and white Compaq T-shirt, identifying him as one of 40 New England-based employees of the Compaq Computer Corp. competing in this year's race.

Monday will mark his 17th year running the Boston Marathon, and he's been a technology sponsor since 1994.

This year, Compaq will donate more than \$300,000 worth of equipment and technology which will power the results page of the Boston Athletic Association (BAA) Web site, according to a press release. With a computer chip tied to their shoelaces, data will be transmitted during the race from each runner to race officials, media, and spectators gathered in the family meeting area.

Using Compaq's state-of-the-art technology, the BAA will be able to provide up-to-the-minute race statistics and finish-line results.

During his many years as a Boston Marathon runner, Blouin's best race time was 2 hours 31 minutes, placing him 74th.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS LAND COURT DEPT. OF THE TRIAL COURT

(SEAL)

Miscellaneous Case No. 262328

pursuant to Mass. G.L. c. 240 sec. 15

Return Day: May 22, 2000

NOTICE

Plaintiff: Michael N. Kanis and Armine D. Kanis
Concerning property at: 2 Deerberry Lane,
Andover, Essex County, MA 01810

TO: any former stockholders, officers, creditors, and any other persons claiming any interest in Beverly Construction Co., Inc., a dissolved Massachusetts corporation formerly located in Beverly, Essex County and said Commonwealth, Domenic Clemenzi, as he is President of said corporation, now or formerly of Gloucester, Essex County, and said Commonwealth or their heirs, devisees, legal representatives, successors and assigns

This action concerns an undischarged mortgage given by Surrey Real Estate Development Corporation to Beverly Construction Co., Inc., said mortgage being dated September 5, 1968, and duly recorded in Essex County North District Registry of Deeds in Book 1113, Page 229; you may be an interested party.

To object or defend you (or your Attorney) must file a written appearance and an answer under oath setting forth your objections or defense in the office of the Recorder of said Court in Boston or at the local Registry of Deeds on or before the above return day.

Otherwise a default will be recorded and the complaint will be taken as confessed and you will be forever barred from contesting said complaint or from having or enforcing any claim or claims adverse to the plaintiffs in the above described land arising out of said mortgage.

Witness, PETER W. KILBORN, CHIEF JUSTICE, of the Land Court the thirty-first day of March, 2000.

Attest with seal of said Court.

CHARLES W. TROMBLY, JR.
Recorder

Counsel for Plaintiffs:

Craig L. Lebowitz, Esq.,

Lebowitz & Lebowitz,

335 Common St., Lawrence, MA 01840

A TRUE COPY ATTEST:

Charles W. Trombly, Jr.

Recorder

April 13, 2000

Mortgagee's Sale Of Real Estate

Premises: A2 Colonial Drive,

Unit A2-7, Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium
Andover, MA

By virtue and in execution of the Power of Sale contained in a certain mortgage given by Janine A. Mulligan to First Franklin Financial Corporation, dated May 4, 1999, recorded at Essex County (North District) Registry of Deeds in Book 5420, Page 304, of which mortgage the undersigned is the present holder, for breach of the conditions in said mortgage contained and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at Public Auction on May 4, 2000 at 11:00 A.M. upon the mortgaged premises at A2 Colonial Drive, Unit A2-7, Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium, Andover, Massachusetts, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to wit:

"The following described premises in the Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium created by Master Deed dated June 16, 1987 and recorded on June 17, 1987 with the Essex North Registry of Deeds at Book 2522, Page 105, as amended of record, being Unit Number A2-7, together with an undivided percentage interest appertaining to said Unit in the common areas and facilities of said Condominium, and subject to and with the benefit of the provision of said Master Deed hereinabove referred to, as amended, pursuant to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 183A, and managed and regulated by the Trustee's of Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium Trust under Declaration of Trust dated as of June 16, 1987 and recorded with said Deeds at Book 2522, Page 137. The Post Office address of the property is Unit A2-7, Andover's Colonial Drive Condominium, A2 Colonial Drive, Andover, MA 01810.

Said Unit contains 830 square feet as shown on floor plans recorded simultaneously with the Master Deed and also on the copy of the portion of said plans attached to the original Unit Deed, to which is affixed the verified statement of a registered architect in the form required by Section 9 of said Chapter 183A.

The Unit is conveyed together with the benefit of easements and rights as described in the original Unit Deed and in the Master Deed.

The Unit is subject to easements, restriction and rights as set forth and described in the original Unit Deed and the Master Deed.

Being the same premises conveyed to me by deed of Susan Klein, Trustee of JEDS Realty Trust, recorded herewith."

In the event of any typographical errors in the publication of this notice, the description in the mortgage shall control.

Terms of Sale: Said premises will be sold and conveyed subject to all unpaid taxes, tax titles, municipal liens and assessments, if any, which take precedence over the said mortgage above described. Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) dollars of the purchase price shall be paid in cash, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check at the time and place of the sale by the purchaser, and the balance of the purchase price shall be paid by, certified check, bank treasurer's or cashier's check within thirty (30) days after the date of sale and shall be deposited with J. Patrick Kinhan, Esq., of Topsfield, Massachusetts.

Other terms to be announced at the sale.

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By Assignment of Mortgage

By its Attorney-in-Fact:

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Dated April 3, 2000

April 6, 13 & 20, 2000

Exclusionary approach on sidewalks for schools

(Continued from page 18)

sidewalks "philosophically," but declined to speak about Article 10 because it was not part of the school site.

Finance Committee Chairman Don Schroeder says the FinCom voted to support the new schools, but voted 5-2 not to support a debt exclusion for the public safety center.

"We did not take a position on sidewalks alone," Schroeder says.

Schools Business Manager Bernie Tuttle says at the selectmen's meeting Monday that school administrators wanted to make sure the sidewalk plans were not included in the debt exclusion ballot question for the new schools.

Stapczynski says selectmen had discussed the possibility of changing Article 10 to allow the sidewalks to be paid for by means other than a debt exclusion. But because the debt exclusion ballot vote is now less than 45 days away, the Town Meeting article could not be changed, he says.

The debt exclusion vote is scheduled for May 23 to allow the town time to submit the schools plan to the state for reimbursement by the state's June 1 deadline, the town manager says.

Town Moderator Jim Doherty says if a motion were made on the floor of Town Meeting to amend Article 10, he would likely check with town counsel before entertaining it. But he says no one has approached him yet with such intentions.

OFFICE OF THE BALLARD VALE HISTORIC DISTRICT COMMISSION



NOTICE OF HEARING

A public hearing will be held in the Town Office Building, Second Floor Conference Room, 36 Bartlet Street, Andover, on Wednesday, May 03, 2000 at 7:00 P.M. on the application of Tom Chiudina (architect for Mohammed & Merideth Zatet) for a Certificate of Appropriateness for construction of an addition to the side and rear of an existing house. The premises is located at 21 Chester Street and is shown on Assessors Map 157 as Lot 5. The application is available for inspection in the Office of the Inspector of Buildings during business hours, Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM.

Dennis Ingram,
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The following is a list of properties that sold in Andover from Dec. 10 to Dec. 31, 1999

1 Marla F. Sigman bought 1 **Hitchcock Farm Road** for \$863,505, from Foxford Builders Inc. The mortgage is with Enterprise Bank and Trust Co.

2 Robert L. and Eugenia P. Hatch bought 18 **Sunset Rock Road** for \$605,500, from John K. and Adrienne L. English. The mortgage is with Watertown Savings Bank.

3 Melora L. Goosey and Harold A. Rosenberg bought 77 **Harold Parker Road** for \$505,000, from B B & W Trust, Marilyn A. Giordano Trust. The mortgage is with Cendant Mortgage Corp.

4 Vani S. Reddi bought 4 **Worthen Place** for \$597,000, from Mary C. Gorman Tr., Gorman Realty Trust. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts Inc.

5 Steven D. and Karen L. Krichmar bought 5 **Preston Circle** for \$625,000, from Scott A. and Marla F. Sigman. The mortgage is with Professional Advantage Financial Group Inc.

6 Jay T. and Lisa D. Bradshaw bought 18 **Topping Road** for \$215,000, from Jusith E. Sullivan Tr., JHH Realty Trust. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts Inc.

7 Charles V. Rigolo bought 5 **Carlisle St.** for \$330,000, from Poornima K. and Turuvekere R. Gururaja. The mortgage is with Olde Towne Mortgage Co. Inc.

8 Christine Duda and James F. Moulton bought 112 **Salem St.** for \$283,500, from Mark T. and Elizabeth B. Dufton. The mortgages are with First Financial Inc. and



Photo by Lisa Adelsberger

This home, at 4 High Vale Lane, was sold for \$380,000.

Chase Manhattan Bank USA NA.

9 Rolando and Mary Meng Rivas bought 52 **Pine St.** for \$260,000, from Eric J. and Elizabeth Cohen Hamblet. The mortgage is with Merrimack Valley Federal Credit Union.

10 Michael N. and Armine D. Kanis bought 2 **Deerberry Lane** for \$335,000, from Leonard and Carolyn H. Bram. The mortgage is with Mortgage Partners Inc.

11 Mark T. and Elizabeth B. Dufton bought 47 **Rocky Hill Road** for \$339,900, from Paul J. and Lorraine D. Ragnio. The mortgages are with Cendant Mortgage Corp. and USAA Federal Savings Bank.

12 Joseph A. and Frances M. Mitchell bought 11 **Longwood Drive** for \$83,500,

from Michael and Cynthia Lodise. The mortgage is with Cendant Mortgage Corp.

13 Zuzana and Frederick E. Livingstone Jr. bought 110 **Lovejoy Road** for \$300,000, from Ernest V. and Eloise L. Dole. The mortgage is with Norwest Mortgage of Massachusetts Inc.

14 Dale S. and Jacqueline A. Gillette bought 4 **High Vale Lane** for \$380,000, from Christopher M. Outwin. The mortgage is with Fleet Mortgage Corp.

15 Christopher D. Homesley bought 250 **North Main St.** for \$140,000, from Mary M C Lakis. The mortgage is with Bank of America.

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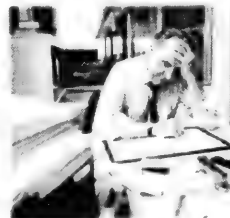
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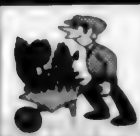
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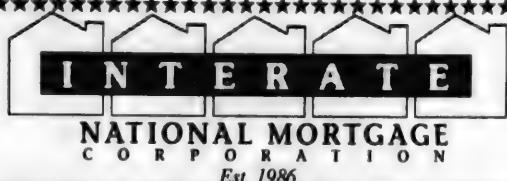
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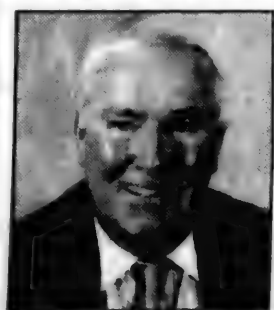
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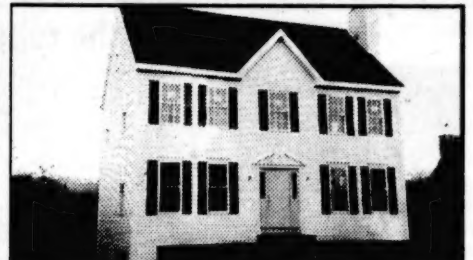

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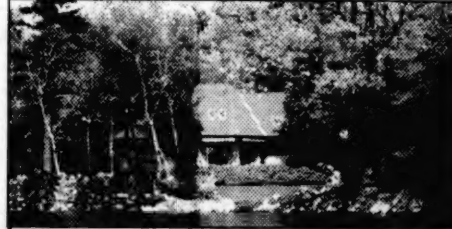
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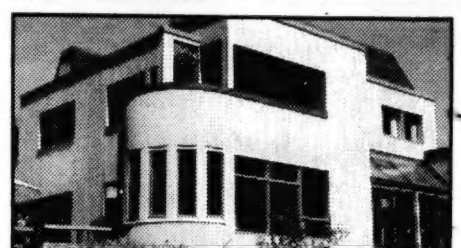
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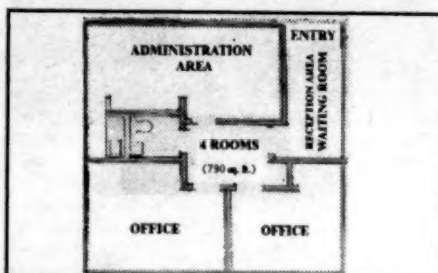


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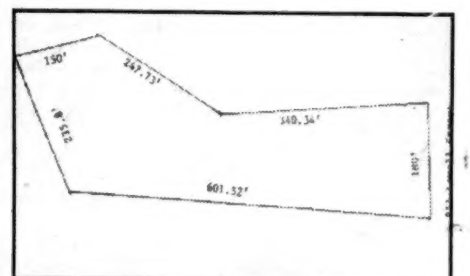


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